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A Proclamation by the President of the United States.

It hath pleased Almighty God to hearken to the supplications and prayers of an afflicted people, and to vouchsafe to the army and navy of the United States, on the land and on the seas, victories so signal and so effective as to furnish reasonable grounds for augmented confidence that the union of these states will be maintained, their constitution preserved, and their peace and prosperity permanently restored.

But these victories have been recorded not without sacrifice of life, limb, and liberty incurred by brave, patriotic, and loyal citizens. Domestic affliction in every part of the country follows in the train of these fearful bereavements. It is meet and right to recognize and confess the presence of the Almighty Father, and the power of his hand equally in these triumphs and these sorrows.

Now, therefore, be it known, that I do set apart Thursday, the sixth day of August next, to be observed as a day of national thanksgiving, praise and prayer, and I invite the people of the United States to assemble on that occasion in their customary places of worship, and in the forms approved by their own conscience, render the homage due to the Divine Majesty for the wonderful things he has done in the nation's behalf, and invoke the influence of his Holy Spirit to subdue the anger which has produced and so long sustained a needless and cruel rebellion, to change the hearts of the insurgents, to guide the counsels of the government with wisdom adequate to so great a national emergency, and to visit with tender care and consolation throughout the length and breadth of our land all those who, through the vicissitudes of marches, voyages, battles, and sieges, have been brought to suffer in mind, body, or estate, and finally, to lead the whole nation through paths of repentance and submission to the Divine Will back to the perfect enjoyment of union and fraternal peace.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington, this 15th day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the eighty-eighth. ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

By the President.

Wm. H. Seward, Sec. of State.

The News.

Advices from off Charleston state that no engagement has taken place since the assault on Fort Wagner, the siege of which has been abandoned for the present, our shells making but little impression on the works.

Officers from Grant's army report that preparations are being made for the march on Mobile, and it is calculated to be in our possession by the 15th inst.

Lee is stated to have massed his forces at Culpepper, and making preparations to give Meade battle. Our forces seem confident of efficiently coping with the enemy.

Jeff Davis has issued a proclamation appointing August 21 as a day of humiliation and prayer.

The experiment of cotton cultivation on Clarendon Isle, in Jamaica, had been highly successful.

"Prepare Ye!"

Union men of Dakota County, organize. Organize in every town and precinct to meet the adversary. Count your numbers and know upon whom to rely when the test comes, as soon it will come.

There is work to be done; good, hard, earnest work. Work to be accomplished and worthy of a vigorous effort.

Dakota County must be placed right upon the record at the next election, and in your hands, union men, does the matter rest. Labor then, and cease not until the end. Be not deceived by the defensive phantoms of hope and fancied security. The enemy stalks abroad in the land, and you must be zealous. "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty."

Organize then, union men, resolved to be triumphant in the great battle of to-day, everywhere unfolding to the breeze the flag of the union with the eloquent words of Webster inscribed upon its ample folds: "Liberty and union, now and forever, one and inseparable."

The Great Banished.

Mr. Vallandigham is at present sojourning at Niagara Falls, having succeeded in running the blockade and gaining Her Majesty's dominions. From this safe retreat he has issued an address to the people of Ohio in his peculiar vein, and clearly exposing his traitorous intentions. By his braggart style and lofty demeanor we should judge that he expects to be elected governor of that loyal old state next fall. If this is his honest opinion, he is doomed to be sadly disappointed. He can not even carry his own party. Not a few of the leading democratic papers of Ohio come out boldly and strongly against him, and in favor of Brough, the union candidate. Speaking of his departure from rebeldom an exchange truthfully says: "If Vallandigham is such a fast friend of the union, and such a formidable enemy of the Slave Confederacy, as his backers claim, why did n't the rebels—having got him in their clutches—*hold* him? If his mission is really to serve the rebellion, how comes it that those who are sworn to destroy it allow him to go at large? Why did they permit such a prize to escape?"

Mrs. V. and son are with him, and he has also been waited on by sundry delegations of Northern doughfaces on missions of sympathy and condolence. We wish the Canadians much joy of their notorious visitor.

The St. Paul & Winona Railroad.

We are repeatedly asked by friends across the river if this road will be built, and whether it is not a "blow" to attract emigration. In reply we have invariably asserted that we had not a doubt of its completion and of its proving a paying road and a source of profit to the company. Subsequent events only confirm our belief. The route between here and St. Paul has proved highly satisfactory, and undoubtedly will be under contract in a very few weeks. Moneyed men are interesting themselves in the plan, and will lend their aid and influence towards carrying it out. It is confidently expected that in a year from this fall we should listen to the shriek of the iron steed right here in Hastings.

The survey is still progressing below Lake City, and, at last accounts, everything appeared very favorable. We hope soon to hear of the results and estimates of the whole route. So far prospects are highly encouraging.

Our Exchanges.

Persons wishing a daily paper from La Crosse will find the *Democrat* a very good one to subscribe for. We could never agree with Brick in politics and perhaps in many other things, but we do like him for his enterprise and public spirit. As might be expected he publishes a spicy sheet.

The St. Paul Daily *Pioneer* for news and general reading is not surpassed by any of our Western journals, and it is well patronized in this county. Possessing in a great degree the judgment and caution which should characterize a leading journal, it rarely goes off prematurely, and sensation stories are given for what they are worth. Terms $9 per annum.

The Atlantic Monthly for August is received, and is an excellent number. For sale at Stanley's.

Important Decision.

We hear and see it stated, as a great objection to the fairness of the present conscription act, that it favors a certain class entirely, taking $300 from a rich man as an exemption and then drafting another in his place; thus, in the end, falling exclusively upon the poor, those who can not pay so much. This is a mistake. The Provost-Marshal-General has declared that the place of a drafted man, who has been exempted by payment of $300, will *not* be filled by another drafted man.

Disastrous Fire.

A large fire broke out in the flourishing little town of Hudson, Wis., on the night of the 22d ult., consuming several dwelling houses and a large plow and wagon factory, and by the utmost exertions was prevented from sweeping the principal business blocks. The loss is heavy, amounting to thousands of dollars, and no insurance.

A democratic state convention has been called to assemble at St. Paul, on Wednesday, the 26th day of August next, to put in nomination candidates for the various state offices to be filled at the approaching election. The basis of representation is the same as that adopted by the republican central committee.

EDUCATIONAL.

BY PROF. T. F. THICKSTUN.

Young Teachers.

There are many evils connected with beginning to teach too young. A failure is almost sure to result. As a consequence the teacher is deterred from prosecuting his profession further, while a whole community are soured both toward him and the school system generally. The parents are frequently to blame in this matter. They send a child to school a term or two, expending a small sum of money by way of board and tuition. This is to be regained as soon as possible. The common schools opens its doors, and the *child teacher* prepares, under parental advice, to undertake the delicate and arduous task of training the young mind.

Will he succeed? Is that half perfected system adequate to the labor that will be imposed upon it? Does that frail mind embrace magnetism enough to polarize and educate thirty others? Will that inexperienced judgment, that imperfectly developed comprehension, and those childish perceptions, have force sufficient to act upon and move the mass of mind and soul which gathers around the teacher from day to day? A failure is almost certain, we repeat, and the judicious parent will restrain his child till a greater degree of maturity has been attained.

Hastings will enjoy rare privileges the coming season in the way of meetings of educational and religious bodies. The third anniversary of the State Teachers' Association is held here, beginning on the 26th inst. The twelfth anniversary of the Minnesota Baptist Association convenes in this city on the 8th of September. The Methodist Annual Conference also holds its session in this place, beginning, we believe, on the 30th of September. The annual meeting of our Presbyterian friends, either the Synod or Presbytery, likewise occurs in Hastings. Large hearts, although owning small houses, and a good attendance of the citizens of the place, are the circumstances of a local nature contributing most to the interest of such occasions. We are sure that our people will extend a cordial greeting and a welcome entertainment to all these bodies.

The town or primary meetings will soon be held to appoint delegates to the county convention for the nomination of county officers. Amongst the good things that shall be secured at these meetings, let the friends of education see that delegates are selected who shall look to the nomination of men for the legislature having an educational bias. This suggestion need distract no party; it should be a plank, expressed or understood, in the platform of all parties.

We hope the local meetings will have an eye to this, and thus secure men who shall give us a school system worthy of the state they represent—who shall legislate us forward instead of backward. The work of reform must begin in the primary meetings and make itself felt up throughout the county and state conventions.

Your Evenings, Boys.

Great boys and little boys, here is a question which concerns you all. How do you spend your evenings? If your parents or guardians allow you to go from home in the evening, where do you go, and how is the time spent by you? Read this little account and think of the lesson it teaches.

Joseph Clark was as fine looking and as healthy a lad as ever left the country to go into a city store. His cheek was red with health, his arm strong, and his step quick. His master liked his looks, and said, That boy will make something.

He had been a clerk about six months when Mr. Abbott observed a change in Joseph. His cheek grew pale, his eyes hollow, and he always seemed sleepy. Mr. Abbott said nothing for awhile. At length, finding Joseph alone in the counting-room one day he asked him if he was well.

"Pretty well, sir," answered Joseph.

"You look sick of late," said Mr. Abbott.

"I have the headache sometimes," the young man said.

"What gives you the headache?" asked the merchant.

"I do not know as I know, sir."

"Do you go to bed in good season?"

Joseph blushed. "As early as most of the boarders," he said.

"And how do you spend your evenings, Joseph?"

"Oh, sir, not as my pious mother would approve," answered the young man, tears starting in his eyes.

"Joseph," said the old merchant, "your character and all your future usefulness and prosperity depend upon the way you spend your evenings. Take my word for it, it is a young man's evenings that make or break him."

State News.

Gov. Swift has appointed Hon. S. Finch as receiver for all state property impressed or which otherwise came into the hands of the authorities during the late Indian operations.

Winona has been visited by another fire, consuming a steam planing mill owned by Messrs. Grant & Stevens, both worthy and industrious men. Loss estimated at $7,000. No insurance.

A cow on the farm of S. H. Schyler, of Stewartville, Olmstead Co., Minn., a few days since had a calf and when fifteen hours old weighed one hundred and seventeen pounds. It is now on exhibition at the above place.—*Owatonna Plaindealer.*

If Miss Elizabeth Wagraw, lately of St. Paul, will send her address to this office she will learn news from the army of much interest to herself. Ignorance of her whereabouts renders this form of notice necessary. Exchanges please notice—*St. Cloud Democrat.*

SHEEP.—Theo. Furber, esq., of Jottage Grove, and Mr. Babbit, of Minneapolis, started a few weeks since to Michigan after sheep. A letter from Mr. F. states that they have purchased 1500, and are now on their return. We could not ascertain the price paid. One-third of the lot belong to a man in Owatonna, Steele County.—*Stillwater Messenger.*

HARVESTING.—Harvesting has begun in earnest. Crops look better and the yield will be much larger than it was thought a month ago. Hands are scarce, and wages high. Almost all kinds of manual labor is suspended in the city, and the laborers have gone into the harvest fields. Two dollars per day is freely offered, and we have seen letters from the interior stating that help cannot be had at any rate.—*Red Wing Volunteer.*

MINNESOTA APPLES.—Last Saturday we partook of green apple pie made from apples grown in the garden of Robert Bell, esq., of this city. Many of his trees died while they were yet young, but those that did weather the storm now bear finely. We have noticed the apple trees in several gardens in this city, and they all look well. Apples, and we believe other fruit can be successfully raised in Minnesota, notwithstanding croakers. —*Ib.*

Edmund Rice, esq., president of the St. Paul & Pacific Railroad, arrived home from his trip in England on the 26th ult. It will be remembered that the object of his visit was to purchase iron, enough to extend the track to Watnb, above St. Cloud, and, unless low water prevents the shipment of the rails, the road will be completed to that point this fall. A new locomotive is on the way from Philadelphia.

There are now to be seen at the Winona Marble Works several fine large spire or family monuments. Three of these are to be removed on Saturday. Parties in this city who design to purchase monuments or who would like to see good ornamental work of this kind, will do well to call at the manufactory to-morrow afternoon and examine the specimens alluded to. Mr. Aldrich having had an extensive experience in the manufacture of heavy monuments, claims to be able to compete with any Eastern establishment, either in heavy or fancy monumental work. He is also able to supply the common headstones, children's monuments, and every other article in the line of marble. His establishment is the largest of the kind west of Lake Michigan, and we are informed that it executes more orders than any two of the retail marble works in the city of Milwaukee. In the line of monuments nothing can well be handsomer of the kind than those just made at this manufactory to the order of Mr. Huff of Winona, and Judge Donaldson of Owatonna. The mantels in the new residence of Mr. Drew are also beautiful specimens of marble workmanship.—*Republican.*

A young lady lately reading the "Prisoners of Chillon" to another, came to the part where the prisoners hair was changed gradually from dark to white, when she was interrupted with: "White! How odd to be sure! Well I dont know nothing about men's hair; but there is our old friend, Mrs. Graham, the lady who has just been twenty-nine years old for the last fifteen years—her husband died, you know, last winter, at which misfortune her grief was so intense, that her hair turned completely black within twenty-four hours after the sad event."

A FAITHFUL PRIEST.—One of the Roman Catholic priests of Newark, New Jersey, told his flock some days since that if he should at any time hear of the prepetration, by an Irishman, of any outrage whatever upon any colored citizen, he should immediately seek out and protect in his own house the person so assailed.

Rev. Dr. Lord, president of Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H., who is chiefly famous for his pro-slavery theology and sociology, has at last resigned, to the intense gratification of all the loyal well wishers of that institution.

The death of Count S. G. S. M. Dei Guidi is reported at Lyons. The Count was in his ninety fourth year, and was the father of homeopathy. Count Dei Guidi had previously been a Neapolitan conspirator against Queen Caroline, (in 1799,) a prisoner, exile, professor of mathematics, inspector of the University of Grenoble, a doctor of medicine, and finally of anti-medicine, and has died a chevalier of the Legion of Honor.—*Galignani.*

The Colorado or Pike's Peak gold mines, up to the 30th of June, 1863, had yielded over seven millions six hundred thousand dollars of the precious metal, and it was estimated that the close of the present year would exhibit an aggregate yield of twenty millions of dollars.

The postmaster-general does not feel exactly justified at present in ordering the carrying of mails to New Orleans via Cairo, but if correspondents desire their letters to go to New Orleans via Cairo, they can make endorsements accordingly upon them and they will be sent at the risk of the writer.

The Columbus (Ga.,) *Sun* calls for the destruction of all the dogs in the Confederacy, estimated at a million, in order to save their rations. Of course it would except the bloodhounds, or what would become of discipline on the plantation?

The Cincinnati *Times* says: The African will not work, yet he will take all the labor away from the whites, and starve them; he will not fight, yet if he is employed he will act like a demon because he is engaged in a contest with another race.

Mayor Opdyke has vetoed the ordinance passed by the Common Council of New York city, daring or just after the riot, to pay $300 for the exemption of each conscript in that city.

Ex-Governor of Utah, S. R. Harding, has been appointed chief-justice of Colorado territory.

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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

P. O. Notice.—Summer Arrangement.

Mail going East closes at 11 o'clock A. M.
Way mail down closes at 8 o'clock, P. M.
Mail for St. Paul closes on the arrival of the boat from below in the afternoon.
Faribault mail leaves at 6 o'clock A. M., closes at 9 o'clock P. M.
Office hours from 8 A. M. to 8 P. M.

WM. H. SKINNER, Post-Master.

DRY GOODS.—NEWMAN is receiving a new supply of prints, to which he invites the attention of those desirous of securing good bargains in dress materials. Call and see.

PROMOTED.—We learn that A. J. PATCH of this city has been promoted from the hospital department of the 7th regiment to the position of sergeant-major. A deserving appointment.

APPLES.—We notice that the merchants about town have received a supply of early apples from below. They are retailed necessarily at high figures, but will be cheaper after a while.

SUNK.—The steamer *Fiora* struck on a rock at Chimney Rock, above Winona, on Tuesday last, and sunk in five minutes time. No lives were lost. The boat will prove a total loss.

JEWELRY.—Call at ANDREW'S and examine his beautiful stock of watches, clocks, and jewelry. They are offered at reasonable figures, and all articles warranted as represented.

THE FANNY HARRIS.—The machinery and fixtures of this sunken boat have been taken out by parties in Prescott, on a contract, which required about ten days labor. They received $300 for the job.

NEW BOOKS.—The latest books and periodicals may be found at STANLEY'S on Ramsey Street. St. Paul, Chicago, and Milwaukee dailies supplied by the week per carrier, or singly at the counter. Leave your orders.

NOTICE.—The Dakota County Agricultural Society meets at FOLLETT & RENICK'S on Saturday next, at 1 o'clock P. M. We are afraid there will be a poor attendance, but hope the farmers will try and come in at that time.

LITERARY.—The members of the Franklin Club are requested to meet at TWITCHELL'S Hall on Wednesday evening, Aug. 5th, to consider the propriety of resuming their regular weekly meetings. A general attendance desired.

PERSONAL.—Messrs. ROGERS, DRAPER, WILLSON, and others of our merchants have returned from the East within the past week, after goods, and soon the new stocks will be moving along. Indications are that trade will be good the coming fall and winter.

HARVESTING.—The farmers appear to be getting along well with their crops, and labor is in good demand. The wages demanded and paid vary from $2 to $2 25 per day and board. More than farmers ought or can well afford to pay.

DULL.—Now that the farmers are busy at their harvest business is comparatively dull, although strangers might fancy that we were bestirring ourselves considerably. Most of the laborers engaged on the new buildings have left for the fields, and they are consequently gaining slowly.

MARBLE WORKS.—We copy elsewhere, from the Winona *Republican*, a favorable notice of the marble works located in that place. We understand that Mr. ALDRICH, the proprietor, intends visiting Hastings next fall with a view of starting a branch of his business here. We sincerely hope he will, and do not see why it would not be a profitable undertaking. It certainly would be of great benefit to the town.

THANKSGIVING DAY.—This day will be observed in the usual manner by public services at the Presbyterian and Episcopal Churches at 11 o'clock on Thursday. The pastors of the other churches are absent, and we presume their congregations will unite with the former on that occasion. We would like to see the places of business about town closed for a part of the day at least.

BEWARE OF IMPOSITION.—Some unprincipled parties have put up a large amount of worthless stuff called saleratus, and scattered it all over the Western States, much to the detriment of D. C. De Land & Co.'s excellent saleratus. This worthless stuff is put up in blue or green paper and called "B. B. De Land & Co.'s House Wife's Favorite," while D. B. De Land & Co.'s saleratus is put up only in bright red papers. Beware of the imposition.

HOT.—We are undergoing another heated term, the thermometer ranging from 90° upwards. Last Friday was one of the hottest days of the season.

OPENED.—The New England House, after having been closed for some time, is again thrown open to the public. Mr. CHAS. DAMEREL, formerly a merchant of Dodge County, Wis., has leased it, and is prepared to furnish accommodations for both man and beast. We presume he will be well patronized, particularly by the country people.

HARPER.—The August number of this interesting magazine is promptly on hand. The table of contents presents the usual variety: Part III of Scenes in the War of 1812; An American Family in Germany; Eulalie; Cemeteries; The Battle and Triumph of Dr. Sacon; Sir Guy of Brittany; "My Heart and I"; Rounds; The Small House at Allington; Making a Will; Our Contraband; Artist, Philosopher, Lover; Captain Charley; The Empress Eugene.

ENROLLING.—Considerable difficulty has been experienced in St. Paul in getting names, etc., among the foreigners, and a strong force of marshals and assistants were in attendance armed and prepared for any emergency. Our provost marshal, A. M. HAYES, esq., was engaged in it and it is reported that he was seen on several occasions riding up town with a woman, very politely holding her in. We shall not say anything about it, however, not wishing to injure the feelings of his friends.

HUNT.—The first irregular hunt of the Hastings Sporting Club comes off to-day. The following comprises the two contending sides.

T. R. Hardiekson,	Dr. J. E. Finch,
J. C. Meloy,	S. B. Hammond,
J. Kennerson,	W. C Cowles,
Geo. C. King,	Geo. Morse,
E. H. Carll,	F. M. Langley,
A. Grovernor,	C. H. L. Lange,
R. S. Lemon,	H. H. White,
Zack Lewis,	E. Cogshall,
L. Van Slyke.	H. S. Jennings.

The club will meet at their room at 10½ o'clock, P. M., to count game. The supper comes off the following night.

FILLING UP.—As an evidence of the growth and prosperity of Hastings we would state that the store-rooms soon to be vacated by those now building are already rented, mostly to new comers. A gentleman from Red Wing opens a grocery where NEWMAN now is, another at TILMAS', another still in one of PRINGLE'S rooms; Mr. FLINT, of River Falls, Wis., takes the stand of Mr. WILLSON, who moves into Exchange Block, in the store now occupied by Mr. FRENCH. We also learn that a gentleman from below thinks of starting a large crockery store in town. Presume there are others which we have not yet learned of. Who will say that Hastings is not looking up?

THE TOLL BRIDGE AGAIN.—Not content with the explanations already given, Mr. MEAD has addressed a letter to the *State Atlas* denying ownership of the article alluded to, to which the *Atlas* replies: "In reply we have simply to say, that when Mr. MEAD allowed the article, "Meanness," to appear in his paper editorially he has he must know, became editorially responsible for it, and per consequence the proper person to reply. He could not suppose that we were to know that one of his employees had been on a "bender" and had then been foolish enough to write an account of it when he got home; and we had *less* reason to suppose that the said employee furnished the editorials of the *N. W. Democrat.*"

DIED.

At Waterville, Le Sueur County, Minn., July 30th, 1863, JULIA MARIA, infant daughter of Chas. A. and Helen S. BAKER, aged 5 weeks and 3 days.

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There is work to be done; good, hard, earnest work. Work to be accomplished and worthy of a vigorous effort.

Dakota County must be placed right upon the record at the next election, and in your hands, union men, does the matter rest. Labor then, and cease not until the end. Be not deceived by the defensive phantoms of hope and fancied security. The enemy stalks abroad in the land, and you must be zealous. "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty."

Organize then, union men, resolved to be triumphant in the great battle of to-day, everywhere unfolding to the breeze the flag of the union with the eloquent words of Webster inscribed upon its ample folds: "Liberty and union, now and forever, one and inseparable."

The Great Banished.

Mr. Vallandigham is at present sojourning at Niagara Falls, having succeeded in running the blockade and gaining Her Majesty's dominions. From this safe retreat he has issued an address to the people of Ohio in his peculiar vein, and clearly exposing his traitorous intentions. By his braggart style and lofty demeanor we should judge that he expects to be elected governor of that loyal old state next fall. If this is his honest opinion, he is doomed to be sadly disappointed. He can not even carry his own party. Not a few of the leading democratic papers of Ohio come out boldly and strongly against him, and in favor of Brough, the union candidate. Speaking of his departure from rebeldom an exchange truthfully says: "If Vallandigham is such a fast friend of the union, and such a formidable enemy of the Sham Confederacy, as his backers claim, why did n't the rebels—having got him in their clutches—*hold* him? If his mission is really to serve the republic, how comes it that those who are sworn to destroy it allow him to go at large? Why did they permit such a prize to escape?"

Mrs. V. and son are with him, and he has also been waited on by sundry delegations of Northern doughfaces on missions of sympathy and condolence. We wish the Canadians much joy of their notorious visitor.

The St. Paul & Winona Railroad.

We are repeatedly asked by friends across the river if this road will be built, and whether it is not a "blow" to attract emigration. In reply we have invariably asserted that we had not a doubt of its completion and of its proving a paying road and a source of profit to the company. Subsequent events only confirm our belief. The route between here and St. Paul has proved highly satisfactory, and undoubtedly will be under contract in a very few weeks. Moneyed men are interesting themselves in the plan, and will lend their aid and influence towards carrying it out. It is confidently expected that in a year from this fall we should listen to the shriek of the iron steed right here in Hastings.

The survey is still progressing below Lake City, and, at last accounts, everything appeared very favorable. We hope soon to hear of the results and estimates of the whole route. So far prospects are highly encouraging.

Our Exchanges.

Persons wishing a daily paper from La Crosse will find the *Democrat* a very good one to subscribe for. We could never agree with Brick in politics and perhaps in many other things, but we do like him for his enterprise and public spirit. As might be expected he publishes a spicy sheet.

The St. Paul Daily *Pioneer* for news and general reading is not surpassed by any of our Western journals, and it is well patronized in this county. Possessing in a great degree the judgment and caution which should characterize a leading journal, it rarely goes off prematurely, and sensation stories are given for what they are worth. Terms $9 per annum.

The Atlantic Monthly for August is received, and is an excellent number. For sale at Stanley's.

Important Decision.

We hear and see it stated, as a great objection to the fairness of the present conscription act, that it favors a certain class entirely, taking $300 from a rich man as an exemption and then drafting another in his place; thus, in the end, falling exclusively upon the poor, those who can not pay so much. This is a mistake. The Provost-Marshal-General has declared that the place of a drafted man, who has been exempted by payment of $300, will *not* be filled by another drafted man.

Disastrous Fire.

A large fire broke out in the flourishing little town of Hudson, Wis., on the night of the 22d ult., consuming several dwelling houses and a large plow and wagon factory, and by the utmost exertions was prevented from sweeping the principal business blocks. The loss is heavy, amounting to thousands of dollars, and no insurance.

A democratic state convention has been called to assemble at St. Paul, on Wednesday, the 26th day of August next, to put in nomination candidates for the various state offices to be filled at the approaching election. The basis of representation is the same as that adopted by the republican central committee.

EDUCATIONAL.

BY PROF. T. F. THICKSTUN.

Young Teachers.

There are many evils connected with beginning to teach too young. A failure is almost sure to result. As a consequence the teacher is deterred from prosecuting his profession further, while a whole community are soured both toward him and the school system generally. The parents are frequently to blame in this matter. They send a child to school a term or two, expending a small sum of money by way of board and taition. This is to be regained as soon as possible. The common schools opens its doors, and the *child teacher* prepares, under parental advice, to undertake the delicate and arduous task of training the young mind.

Will he succeed? Is that half perfected system adequate to the labor that will be imposed upon it? Does that frail mind embrace magnetism enough to polarize and educate thirty others? Will that inexperienced judgment, that imperfectly developed comprehension, and those childish perceptions, have force sufficient to act upon and move the mass of mind and soul which gathers around the teacher from day to day? A failure is almost certain, we repeat, and the judicious parent will restrain his child till a greater degree of maturity has been attained.

Hastings will enjoy rare privileges the coming season in the way of meetings of educational and religious bodies The third anniversary of the State Teachers' Association is held here, beginning on the 26th inst. The twelfth anniversary of the Minnesota Baptist Association convenes in this city on the 8th of September. The Methodist Annual Conference also holds its session in this place, beginning, we believe, on the 30th of September. The annual meeting of our Presbyterian friends, either the Synod or Presbytery, likewise occurs in Hastings. Large hearts, although owning small houses, and a good attendance of the citizens of the place, are the circumstances of a local nature contributing most to the interest of such occasions. We are sure that our people will extend a cordial greeting and a welcome entertainment to all these bodies.

The town or primary meetings will soon be held to appoint delegates to the county convention for the nomination of county officers. Amongst the good things that shall be secured at these meetings, let the friends of education see that delegates are selected who shall look to the nomination of men for the legislature having an educational bias. This suggestion need distract no party; it should be a plank, expressed or understood, in the platform of all parties.

We hope the local meetings will have an eye to this, and thus secure men who shall give us a school system worthy of the state they represent—who shall legislate us forward instead of backward. The work of reform must begin in the primary meetings and make itself felt up throughout the county and state conventions.

Your Evenings, Boys.

Great boys and little boys, here is a question which concerns you all. How do you spend your evenings? If your parents or guardians allow you to go from home in the evening, where do you go, and how is the time spent by you? Read this little account and think of the lesson it teaches.

Joseph Clark was as fine looking and as healthy a lad as ever left the country to go into a city store. His cheek was red with health, his arm strong, and his step quick. His master liked his looks, and said, That boy will make something.

He had been a clerk about six months when Mr. Abbott observed a change in Joseph. His cheek grew pale, his eyes hollow, and he always seemed sleepy. Mr. Abbott said nothing for awhile. At length, finding Joseph alone in the countings-room one day he asked him if he was well.

"Pretty well, sir," answered Joseph.

"You look sick of late," said Mr. Abbott.

"I have the headache sometimes," the young man said.

"What gives you the headache?" asked the merchant.

"I do not know as I know, sir."

"Do you go to bed in good season?"

Joseph blushed. "As early as most of the boarders," he said.

"And how do you spend your evenings, Joseph?"

"Oh, sir, not as my pious mother would approve," answered the young man, tears starting in his eyes.

"Joseph," said the old merchant, "your character and all your future usefulness and prosperity depend upon the way you spend your evenings. Take my word for it, it is a young man's evenings that make or break him."

State News.

Gov. Swift has appointed Hon. S. Finch as receiver for all state property impressed or which otherwise came into the hands of the authorities during the late Indian operations.

Winona has been visited by another fire, consuming a steam planing mill owned by Messrs. Grant & Stevens, both worthy and industrious men. Loss estimated at $7,000. No insurance.

A cow on the farm of S. H. Schyler, of Stewartville, Olmstead Co., Minn., a few days since had a calf and when fifteen hours old weighed one hundred and seventeen pounds. It is now on exhibition at the above place.—*Owatonna Plaindealer.*

If Miss Elizabeth Wagraw, lately of St. Paul, will send her address to this office she will learn news from the army of much interest to herself. Ignorance of her whereabouts renders this form of notice necessary. Exchanges please notice—*St. Cloud Democrat.*

SHEEP.—Theo. Furber, esq., of Jottage Grove, and Mr. Babbit, of Minneapolis, started a few weeks since to Michigan after sheep. A letter from Mr. F. states that they have purchased 1500, and are now on their return. We could not ascertain the price paid. One-third of the lot belong to a man in Owatouna, Steele County.—*Stillwater Messenger.*

HARVESTING.—Harvesting has begun in earnest. Crops look better and the yield will be much larger than it was thought a month ago. Hands are scarce, and wages high. Almost all kinds of manual labor is suspended in the city, and the laborers have gone into the harvest fields. Two dollars per day is freely offered, and we have seen letters from the interior stating that help cannot be had at any rate.—*Red Wing Volunteer.*

MINNESOTA APPLES.—Last Saturday we partook of green apple pie made from apples grown in the garden of Robert Bell, esq., of this city. Many of his trees died while they were yet young, but those that did weather the storm now bear finely. We have noticed the apple trees in several gardens in this city, and they all look well. Apples, and we believe other fruit can be successfully raised in Minnesota, notwithstanding croakers. —*Ib.*

Edmund Rice, esq., president of the St. Paul & Pacific Railroad, arrived home from his trip in England on the 26th ult. It will be remembered that the object of his visit was to purchase iron, enough to extend the track to Watub, above St. Cloud, and, unless low water prevents the shipment of the rails, the road will be completed to that point this fall. A new locomotive is on the way from Philadelphia.

There are now to be seen at the Winona Marble Works several fine large spire or family monuments. Three of these are to be removed on Saturday. Parties in this city who design to purchase monuments or who would like to see good ornamental work of this kind, will do well to call at the manufactory to-morrow afternoon and examine the specimens alluded to, Mr. Aldrich having had an extensive experience in the manufacture of heavy monuments, claims to be able to compete with any Eastern establishment, either in heavy or fancy monumental work. He is also able to supply the common headstones, children's monuments, and every other article in the line of marble. His establishment is the largest of the kind west of Lake Michigan, and we are informed that it executes more orders than any two of the retail marble works in the city of Milwaukee. In the line of monuments nothing can well be handsomer of the kind than those just made at this manufactory to the order of Mr. Huff of Winona, and Judge Donaldson of Owatonna. The mantels in the new residence of Mr. Drew are also beautiful specimens of marble workmanship.—*Republican.*

A young lady lately reading the "Prisoners of Chillon" to another, came to the part where the prisoners hair was changed gradually from dark to white, when she was interrupted with: "White! How odd to be sure! Well I dont know nothing about men's hair; but there is our old friend, Mrs. Graham, the lady who has just been twenty-nine years old for the last fifteen years—her husband died, you know, last winter, at which misfortune her grief was so intense, that her hair turned completely black within twenty-four hours after the sad event."

A FAITHFUL PRIEST.—One of the Roman Catholic priests of Newark, New Jersey, told his flock some days since that if he should at any time hear of the prepetration, by an Irishman, of any outrage whatever upon any colored citizen, he should immediately seek out and protect in his own house the person so assailed.

Rev. Dr. Lord, president of Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H., who is chiefly famous for his pro-slavery theology and sociology, has at last resigned, to the intense gratification of all the loyal well wishers of that institution.

The death of Count S. G. S. M. Dei Guidi is reported at Lyons. The Count was in his ninety fourth year, and was the father of homeopathy. Count Dei Guidi had previously been a Neapolitan conspirator against Queen Caroline, (in 1799,) a prisoner, exile, professor of mathematics, inspector of the University of Grenoble, a doctor of medicine, and finally of anti-medicine, and has died a chevalier of the Legion of Honor.—*Galignani.*

The Colorado or Pike's Peak gold mines, up to the 30th of June, 1863, had yielded over seven millions six hundred thousand dollars of the precious metal, and it was estimated that the close of the present year would exhibit an aggregate yield of twenty millions of dollars.

The postmaster-general does not feel exactly justified at present in ordering the carrying of mails to New Orleans via Cairo, but if correspondents desire their letters to go to New Orleans via Cairo, they can make endorsements accordingly upon them and they will be sent at the risk of the writer.

The Columbus (Ga.,) *Sun* calls for the destruction of all the dogs in the Confederacy, estimated at a million, in order to save their rations. Of course it would except the bloodhounds, or what would become of discipline on the plantation?

The Cincinnati *Times* says: The African will not work, yet he will take all the labor away from the whites, and starve them; he will not fight, yet if he is employed he will act like a demon because he is engaged in a contest with another race.

Mayor Opdyke has vetoed the ordinance passed by the Common Council of New York city, during or just after the riot, to pay $300 for the exemption of each conscript in that city.

Ex-Governor of Utah, S. R. Harding, has been appointed chief-justice of Colorado territory.

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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

P. O. Notice.--Summer Arrangement.

Mail going East closes at 11 o'clock, A. M.
Way mail down closes at 8 o'clock, P. M.
Mail for St. Paul closes on the arrival of the boat from below in the afternoon.
Faribault mail leaves at 6 o'clock A. M., closes at 9 o'clock P. M.
Office hours from 8 A. M. to 8 P. M.
WM. H. SKINNER, Post-Master.

DRY GOODS.—NEWMAN is receiving a new supply of prints, to which he invites the attention of those desirous of securing good bargains in dress materials. Call and see.

PROMOTED.—We learn that A. J. PATCH of this city has been promoted from the hospital department of the 7th regiment to the position of sergeant-major. A deserving appointment.

APPLES.—We notice that the merchants about town have received a supply of early apples from below. They are retailed necessarily at high figures, but will be cheaper after a while.

SUNK.—The steamer *Flora* struck on a rock at Chimney Rock, above Winona, on Tuesday last, and sunk in five minutes time. No lives were lost. The boat will prove a total loss.

JEWELRY.—Call at ANDREW'S and examine his beautiful stock of watches, clocks, and jewelry. They are offered at reasonable figures, and all articles warranted as represented.

THE FANNY HARRIS.—The machinery and fixtures of this sunken boat have been taken out by parties in Prescott, on a contract, which required about ten days labor. They received $300 for the job.

NEW BOOKS.—The latest books and periodicals may be found at STANLEY'S on Ramsey Street. St. Paul, Chicago, and Milwaukee dailies supplied by the week per carrier, or singly at the counter. Leave your orders.

NOTICE.—The Dakota County Agricultural Society meets at FOLLETT & RENICK'S on Saturday next, at 1 o'clock P. M. We are afraid there will be a poor attendance, but hope the farmers will try and come in at that time.

LITERARY.—The members of the Franklin Club are requested to meet at TWITCHELL'S Hall on Wednesday evening, Aug. 5th, to consider the propriety of resuming their regular weekly meetings. A general attendance desired.

PERSONAL.—Messrs. ROGERS, DRAPER, WILLSON, and others of our merchants have returned from the East within the past week, after goods, and soon the new stocks will be moving along. Indications are that trade will be good the coming fall and winter.

HARVESTING.—The farmers appear to be getting along well with their crops, and labor is in good demand. The wages demanded and paid vary from $2 to $2 25 per day and board. More than farmers ought or can well afford to pay.

DULL.—Now that the farmers are busy at their harvest business is comparatively dull, although strangers might fancy that we were bestirring ourselves considerably. Most of the laborers engaged on the new buildings have left for the fields, and they are consequently gaining slowly.

MARBLE WORKS.—We copy elsewhere, from the Winona *Republican*, a favorable notice of the marble works located in that place. We understand that Mr. ALDRICH, the proprietor, intends visiting Hastings next fall with a view of starting a branch of his business here. We sincerely hope he will, and do not see why it would not be a profitable undertaking. It certainly would be of great benefit to the town.

THANKSGIVING DAY.—This day will be observed in the usual manner by public services at the Presbyterian and Episcopal Churches at 11 o'clock on Thursday. The pastors of the other churches are absent, and we presume their congregations will unite with the former on that occasion. We would like to see the places of business about town closed for a part of the day at least.

BEWARE OF IMPOSITION.—Some unprincipled parties have put up a large amount of worthless stuff called saleratus, and scattered it all over the Western States, much to the detriment of D. C. De Land & Co.'s excellent saleratus. This worthless stuff is put up in blue or green paper and called "B. B. De Land & Co.'s House Wife's Favorite," while D. B. De Land & Co.'s saleratus is put up only in bright red papers. Beware of the imposition.

HOT.—We are undergoing another heated term, the thermometer ranging from 90° upwards. Last Friday was one of the hottest days of the season.

OPENED.—The New England House, after having been closed for some time, is again thrown open to the public. Mr. CHAS. DAMEREL, formerly a merchant of Dodge County, Wis., has leased it, and is prepared to furnish accommodations for both man and beast. We presume he will be well patronized, particularly by the country people.

HARPER.—The August number of this interesting magazine is promptly on hand. The table of contents presents the usual variety: Part III of Scenes in the War of 1812; An American Family in Germany; Eulalie; Cemetries; The Battle and Triumph of Dr. Susan; Sir Guy of Brittany; "My Heart and I"; Romola; The Small House at Allington; Making a Will; Our Contraband; Artist, Philosopher, Lover; Captain Charley; The Empress Eugene.

ENROLLING.—Considerable difficulty has been experienced in St. Paul in getting names, etc., among the foreigners, and a strong force of marshals and assistants were in attendance armed and prepared for any emergency. Our provost marshal, A. M. HAYES, esq., was engaged in it and it is reported that he was seen on several occasions riding up town with a woman, very politely holding her in. We shall not say anything about it, however, not wishing to injure the feelings of his friends.

HUNT.—The first irregular hunt of the Hastings Sporting Club comes off to-day. The following comprises the two contending sides.

T. R. Huddleston,	Dr. J. E. Finch,
J. C. Meloy,	S. B. Hammond,
J. Kennerson,	W. C Cowles,
Geo. C. King,	Geo. Morse,
E. H. Carll,	F. M. Langley,
A. Grovernor,	C. H. L. Lange,
R. S. Lemon,	H. H. White,
Zack Lewis,	E. Cogshall,
L. Van Slyke.	H. S. Jennings.

The club will meet at their room at 10½ o'clock, P. M., to count game. The supper comes off the following night.

FILLING UP.—As an evidence of the growth and prosperity of Hastings we would state that the store-rooms soon to be vacated by those now building are already rented, mostly to new comers. A gentleman from Red Wing opens a grocery where NEWMAN now is, another at THOMAS', another still in one of PRINGLE'S rooms; Mr. FLINT, of River Falls, Wis., takes the stand of Mr. WILLSON, who moves into Exchange Block, in the store now occupied by Mr. FRENCH. We also learn that a gentleman from below thinks of starting a large crockery store in town. Presume there are others which we have not yet learned of. Who will say that Hastings is not looking up?

THE TOLL BRIDGE AGAIN.—Not content with the explanations already given, Mr. MEAD has addressed a letter to the *State Atlas* denying authorship of the article alluded to, to which the *Atlas* replies: "In reply we have simply to say, that when Mr. MEAD allowed the article, "Meanness," to appear in his paper editorially he, as he must know, became editorially responsible for it, and per consequence the proper person to reply. He could not suppose that we were to know that one of his employees had been on a 'bender' and had then been foolish enough to write an account of it when he got home; and we had *less* reason to suppose that the said employee furnished the editorials of the *N. W. Democrat.*"

DIED.

At Waterville, Le Sueur County, Minn., July 30th, 1863, JULIA MARIA, infant daughter of Chas. A. and Helen S. BAKER, aged 5 weeks and 3 days.

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Republican Union Convention.

The republicans and all other unconditional union men throughout the state of Minnesota, who are earnest and honest supporters of the administration, and who will stand by it without fear or favor in all its efforts to crush rebellion and maintain the Union, and who desire to see no cessation of hostilities until the glorious old flag of our country shall wave over an united republic, "without a stripe erased or polluted, or a single star obscured," and all, in fine, who are uncompromisingly hostile to traitors, whether open-armed rebels in the South, or covert advocates in the North of a damaging and humiliating peace, will assemble in convention at St. Paul, at Ingersoll's hall, on Wednesday, August 19, 1863, at 11 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of nominating candidates for the following offices:—

Governor,
Lieutenant Governor,
Secretary of State,
State Treasurer,
Attorney General,
Auditor of State,
Clerk of the Supreme Court.

The different counties will be entitled to be represented in the Convention by delegates, who are *bona fide* residents of the counties from which they are accredited, as follows:

Anoka	2	Morrison 1
Benton	2	Mower 2
Blue Earth	4	Nicollet 3
Brown	2	Olmsted 6
Carver	3	Pine 1
Chisago	2	Ramsey 8
Dakota	7	Renville 1
Dodge	3	Rice 5
Faribault	1	Scott 6
Fillmore	9	Sherburne 1
Freeborne	3	Sibley 3
Hennepin	8	Stearns 3
Isanti	1	Steele 2
Goodhue	6	St. Louis 1
Houston	5	Wabashaw 7
Le Sueur	4	Winona 6
McLeod	1	Wissera 2
Meeker	1	Wright 3
Mille Lac	1	Washington 4

No delegates will be admitted from unorganized or uninhabited counties, not enumerated above.

By order of the Republican Central Committee.

ROBT. F FISK, Ch'n.
WILFORD L. WILSON,
ANDREW NESSEL,
D. BLAKELY,
C. E. GILFILLAN,
BENJ F. SMITH.

ST. PAUL, July 8, 1863.

County Convention.

The republicans of Dakota Co. and all who support the National Administration and are in favor of an earnest prosecution of the war, are hereby requested to elect delegates in the several towns in the county to represent them in a County Convention to be holden in Teutonia Hall in the city of Hastings, on Saturday, the 15th day of August, 1863, at 1 o'clock P. M., to elect seven delegates to attend the Republican Union Convention to be holden in St. Paul on the 19th day of August aforesaid.

The different towns will be entitled to a representation by delegates who are bona fide residents of the town from which they are accredited as follows:

Hastings 7; Ravenna 2; Nininger 3; Inver Grove 4; West St. Paul 5; Mendota 3; Eagan 3; Rosemount 3; Burnsville 3; Lakeville 3; Eureka 3; Empire City 2; Scioto 2; Waterford 2; Green Vale 2; Castle Rock 2; Lebanon 2; Marshan 2; Randolph 2; Douglass 1; Vermillion 2; Hampton 3.

The citizens of each town will meet at the place of holding the last township election on Thursday, August 13th, at 8 o'clock P. M., unless otherwise ordered by the town committee.

Per order of Republican Co. Committee.
Hastings, July 21, 1863.

The rebels consider a good joke on us when they defended Manassas with wooden guns. While acknowledging the coin, we beg leave to call their attention to several wooden mortars that gave them more annoyance at Vicksburg than all other guns. The mortars threw six, twenty, and twenty-four pound shells with considerable accuracy. Capt. Trissellian, a "fighting Irishman," on Gen. Logan's staff, conceived the idea of manufacturing mortars from logs. Securing several sound logs, he had them bored out and hooped them with iron. With a small charge of powder they answered better than iron mortars, for they made little noise. The rebels confessed that more damage was done by these shells than any we threw into Vicksburg.

A room with pictures in it and a room without pictures differ about as much as a room with windows and a room without windows. Nothing is more melancholy, particularly to a person who has to pass much time in his room, than bleak walls with nothing on them; for pictures are loop holes of escape to the soul, leading to other scenes and other spheres. It is such an inexpressible relief to a person engaged in writing or even reading, on looking up not to have his line of vission chapped off by an odious white wall, but to find his soul escaping, as it were, through the frame of an exquisite picture, to other beautiful and perhaps heavenly scenes, when the fancy for a moment may revel, refreshing and delighted. Thus pictures are consolers of loneliness; they are a relief to the imprisoned thought; they are books, they are histories and sermons, which we can read without the trouble of turning over the leaves.—*Downing.*

THE NEW TESTAMENT.—The great mass of readers suppose the books of the New Testament appear in the order as written—that the gospel of St. Matthew was first composed, and the Revelations last. That is a mistake. The following is well established to be the order in which the various parts came before the world: 1. St. Paul's Epistles. 2. Epistles to the Hebrews. 3. The first three Gospels. 4. Epistles of St. James. 5. The Revelations. 6. Epistles of St. Peter. 7. Acts of the Apostles. 8. Gospel and Epistles of St. John.

Buying a Wedding Cake.

"Letters, sir, from pos' office!"

"Very well, Sambo, put 'em down, and take yourself off."

I had just finished my breakfast, and the tiny silver *chocolatiere*, with the bachelor service of transparent china still stood on the damask—draped round table. It was a bright little room, with its white and gold paper, and high heaped grate, in the gray light of this chill December morning, when the air was thick with noiseless falling snow-flakes; and this contrast between the bitter atmosphere without, and the trophical warmth of my own special nook, gave me an additional consciousness of satisfaction, as I leaned back in my chair and proceeded to examine my correspondence.

"Lee Worcester wants to know if I can come there to tea this evening. Of course I can. His wife is a perfect rose bud, and one, besides, who do n't believe in cashiering all her husband's bachelor friends—and then I rather like that brown-eyed sister-in-law of his. Yes, I'll go, certainly. Hallo here's a letter from my brother in Greenfield." I unfolded the document eagerly, scarcely able at first to credit the tidings it revealed.

"Well, here is a pretty state of things. Going to be married, claims my congratulations, says that Mary (who the dickens is Mary?) is in great tribulation about the wedding cake; affair to come off on Wednesday, and no cake to be had for love or money! Will I be the best of fellows in the world, and send down one from D'Artiers?"

I glanced at the date of the letter. It had been delayed several days on the road, and there was not a minute to be lost. I rose mechanically, and put on my hat and cloak, giving more heedful gaze at the various directions about icing, weight, and decorations which accompanied Tom's closely written epistle, before I sallied forth boldly to street on my novel errand.

It was just about one o'clock, the snow had ceased falling, and the sun shone brilliantly. D'Artier's was full, of course; there were at least a dozen ladies that I knew sitting at the tiny marble tables. I tried to assume an air of easy impudence, as if I had only come in for a pound of chocolate almonds, but it was of no use; I could not disguise the latent sheepishness of my aspect as I sauntered up to the counter.

"How can I serve you sir?" inquired the trim damsel who presided over the saccharine treasures.

I muttered something under my moustache, feeling a hot blush suffuse my countenance. Why would not the inquisitive womankind attend to their ice-creams?

"Cake, sir? Certainly. For a party, sir? Pound cake, lemon, and almond—"

"No, no," I bawled out, "I want a wedding cake."

"O, I beg your pardon, sir," tittered the atrocious shopwoman. Was it reality, or did I only fancy that the titter was echoed among the bonnets and furs beyond? However that might have been, the mere apprehension was enough to throw me into a cold prespiration.

The next moment, however, the counter was heaped with various temples of glistening white sugar, some wreathed with make believe roses, some surmounted with candy cupids, others with pure white masses of icing. I surveyed them in a state of hopeless bewilderment.

"Perhaps, sir, it would be better if the lady should come with you to select," hazarded my enemy behind the counter.

I could endure this badgering no longer, but pounced upon a gigantic pyramid of sugar lillies, from which peeped up a tiny alabaster cupid.

"I will take this—what is the price?"

I laid down the money, and never experienced so delicious a sensation of relief as at the moment when I thrust the cupid under my arm, and rushed out of the establishment. How gladly I delivered it to the express agent, who tossed it one side as if the transmission of wedding cakes was a matter of every day occurrence.

"How d'ye do Golde. When is it to come off?"

"When is what to come off?" queried I, considerably puzzled at my friend Atherton's address.

"Your wedding, to be sure! Ah, you are a sly dog to keep us all in the dark so long!"

"You can't have been much more in the dark than I am at this moment. Atherton, what on earth do you mean?"

But Atherton only wagged his head knowingly, and rushed off in pursuit of a stage, saying something of which I only caught the disconnected fragments, "my wife" and "D'Artier's."

"Hang that wedding cake!" was my internal ejaculation.

As I pursued my speculative way a tiny gloved hand was held out from a passing carriage.

"Ah, Mrs. Everliegh, excuse me for not seeing you before!"

"We all know love is blind," said the lady with a smile. "Now I know why you havn't been to see me in such an age. My niece was at D'Artiers this morning, and saw how particular you were in the selection of a certain article."

Before I could explain this piece of circumstantial evidence, there was a break in the lock of carriages which had caused the detention of my fair friend, and her equipage rolled away with a wave of the pretty hand and the archest smiles.

I stood looking after her with an odd sort of impression that I should wake up presently to find myself married to somebody, whether or no, indeed I was not altogether certain whether Mrs. Golde was not awaiting for me at home.

How brilliantly the firelight and gaslight illuminated that cozy little room of Lee Worcester's with pink tinted walls and crimson carpet, sprinkled with small white buds. The piano was open, strewn with sheets of music, just as it had been left, its pearl keys glimmered softly in the subdued radiance of one jet of light that glowed through the frosted shade above. The tea table was all set—I had often dreamed of a home of my own that should be something like Lee Worcester's and somehow that tea table always formed part of the phantasm. There was something so bright and cheerful in the snowy damask, and the glittering china. Bachelor as I was, the golden blocks of cake and tiny white muffins, breaking into crisp flakes that melted in one's mouth, and amber jellies, quivering like gigantic jewels through their crystal prison walls, produced a wonderfully agreeably effect in my epicurean sight. And I could imagine no prettier vision to crown it all than Mary Worcester in her crimson merino dress, edged round the throat with delicate lace, presiding at the silver tea urn. Except perhaps—but that is neither here nor there.

I was a little disappointed on entering, not to see Lee's sister-in-law, a trim little beauty with brown, rippling hair and velvety, somewhere between hazel and black, but I did not like to ask and consequently remained in ignorance, until Mary remarked:

"Nettie is very low spirited this evening, perhaps she will come down stairs by and by.

How I longed to ask what the matter was. Perhaps she had received ill news; perhaps she was not well. I would have given my two ears to know, but I didn't dare to inquire.

"So you're going to be married, eh, Tracy, my boy, said Lee, as we sat in front of the bright fire. "Well, you can't do better. A bachelor at best, is a mere fraction of society."

I started up, annoyed beyond all endurance.

"For mercy's sake, dear Lee, do tell me where you picked up that ridiculous report?"

"Ridiculous report! that's pretty cool, upon my honor," exclaimed Worcester.

"Now, Mr. Golde, said Mary, "do n't deny the soft impeachment. I am sure you would enjoy a quiet home of your own better than that noisy hotel. There is no charm against a sad heart like domestic bliss.

There was a radiant light in her own tender eyes as she spoke, that penetrated me with the sudden conviction that I had been exceedingly foolish to remain single all these years.

"Do confess," she added gaily.

"But I have nothing on earth to confess."

"Nonsense," said Mary holding up a pretty warning finfier. What were you buying this morning at D'Artier's?"

I turned scarlet; here was that everlasting wedding cake again!

Fortunately, my inquisition was terminated for a moment by the entrance of Lee's sister in-law, looking lovlier than I had seen her before; a little pale, perhaps, however, and her sickly eyelashes heavy, with what I could almost have fancied the traces of recent tears; were it not that she seemed in extravagant gay spirits. The soft flushes of color came and went like pink shadows across her cheeks, and her coral lips were dimpled with the brightest of smiles, yet all the time I could not divest myself of the old impression that she was ready to melt into an April shower of tears at any moment.

She lightly tendered me her congratulations upon the approaching "happy event," holding out a small snowy hand, loaded with sparkling rings, as she did so.

"You speak in riddles, Miss Nettie."

"Don't pretend that you have not the key to them," she said a little tremulously.

"I cannot comprehend what you mean," answered I, sturdily.

She said no more, but sat quietly down, and shaded her eyes with her hands, as though the fire dazzled them. Mrs. Worcester however still pursued the obnoxious topic.

"Then how do you explain the wedding cake at D'Artiers?"

"Is that the only testimony upon which I am tried and convicted of a wilful intention of matrimony?"

"That is all; we are ready to hear your defense."

"Well, that unlucky mass of white sugar and dyspepsia was for my brother's wedding ceremonies, a hundred miles away. I assure you it had not the least connection with my matrimonial fortunes."

Nettie looked up with rare brilliancy under her long lashes, and an almost involuntary smile wreathed her lips. I took heart of hope and went bravely on, cheered by a sudden inspiration.

"But I will purchase a bride cake twice as large for my own wedding, if Nettie will consent to be the bride."

There—I had done it, and in less than five minutes was an accepted lover looking boldly into the wondrous liquid depths of those brown, beautiful eyes. A new sensation very.

"And now, Tracy," said Mary, mischievously, "I'll tell you a secret; the reason Nettie cried half the afternoon, and became so low spirited this evening was that—"

"Mary I" remonstrated Nettie, with cheeks ablaze.

"That she heard you were buying a wedding cake! pursued Mary putting away the white fingers with which Nettie vainly strove to fetter her tell tale lips.

"I'll order another to-morrow," said I, meditatively. "Ah, I should n't have repined so much at Tom's commission had I known what a sweet little wife it would bring me!"

"Do n't, Tracy," said Nettie, hiding her face on my shoulder.

And then Tom wrote to know why I did n't come to his hymenial ceremonies. I wrote back that I was obliged to stay to attend a wedding of my own.

And such a wedding cake as graced the centre of our banquet board! Its no use trying to describe its frosted splendors, but if any of my readers seriously contemplate getting married, I'll send them the recipe.

AGRICULTURAL.

Pie Plant.

Pie plant has of late years become quite an "institution" and as we cannot at present have apples of our own raising, it seems an excellent substitute. We think in cooking it is much improved by flavoring with a few drops of extract of lemon, particularly in pies. Where it is used without flavoring it produces a far more economical dish as far as sugar is concerned, to let the stalks lay two or three days after it is taken from the garden. It then looses a portion of its acidity and a particular greenish taste that exists in perfectly fresh stalks.

As to the difference in quality between the Mammoth, Victory, and numberless other varieties, he or she must possess a most delicately refined taste that could distinguish the difference when cooked, but if any difference there be, it is certainly in favor of the small varieties, as the Victoria particularly, which matures rapidly.

If the stalks are cut up the same as for cooking, and dried on a cloth in the sun it can be hung up in a bag in a dry place, and will by using the same as dried apples, furnishing pies or sauce in winter equally as good as in summer, and this is well worth knowing, for in sickness it is now being fully recommended by physicians all over the country.

In making a fine flavored wine it is equal to grapes. With sugar or molasses it also makes a good preserve for winter use. A bunch of five pounds, such as is sold at the stores, stewed in two gallons of water and then strained and squeezed, to which when cold add four pounds of sugar, and allow to freely ferment, will give about five quarts of wine, nearly equal in flavor to champaigne.

How About the Compost Heap.

In this season when the garden is teeming with vegetation, are you accumulating materials to meet next year's demands? We all know in what request manure is in the Spring, and provision should be made for it now. The garden furnishes a large amount of refuse matter which should go on to the compost heap. An occasional load of stable manure may be added, and alternate strata of green vegetable matter and manure may be built up throughout the season. Every privy should have its vault so arranged as to be perfectly accessible for removing or adding to its contents. An occasional addition of muck and plaster or copperas (sulphate of iron) will completely deodorize the contents and make a highly valuable fertilizer. Do not forget the hen house in the summer season. A few shovelfuls of soil will make the hen roost more comfortable for its inmates and assist in forming a manure equal in value to guano. It is better to save and accumulate manures now, than be short and obliged to buy when the need is felt next Spring.

A communication to a late meeting of the Philadelphia Society for the promotion of Agriculture, in reference to Hungarian grass as food for horses, seems to make it almost certain that for horses, it is very injurious. The author of that communication says the grass was introduced in that section (Illinois) in 1860, and was highly thought of by the farmers. It was thought to be a good substitute for timothy hay, and was given to horses and was eagerly devoured. The horses were believed to be improving, but there was soon a general complaint among those who used the grass that their horses were troubled with a weakness in the loins and could not stand ordinary work. Several horses which had partaken of the grass freely sickened and died.

The French preserve grapes the year around by coating the clusters with lime. The bunches are picked just before they are thoroughly ripe, and dipped in lime water of the consistency of thin cream. They are then hung on wires, and when dry are dipped the second time, and then hung up to remain. The lime coating keeps out the air and checks any tendency to decay. When wanted for the table, dip the clusters in warm water to remove the lime.

The consumption of wool in the United States during the past year has been unusally large, amounting in some 126,000,000 pounds. The quantity of raw material required for army supplies alone, during the past year, is estimated at 50,000,000, for the navy, 1,500,000, for civilians' wear 65,000,000, and the amount required to replace cotton, formerly incorporated to a much greater extent in mixed fabries, 10,000,000 pounds.

Farmers every where complain of trouble in getting harvest hands, and the poorest ones want from $1 50 to $2 a day. In many places the women are "volunteering" for this work. They are determined that the crops shall not waste while they had hands.—*New York Tribune.*

There will be no agricultural state fair in Wisconsin the present year. Such is the decision of the committee of the Agricultural Society. The salary of the Secretary hhas been suspended.

Dr. L. P. Trimble, of Newark, has recently been appointed entomologist to the New Jersey State Agricultural Society.

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DEFECTIVE PAGE

THE CONSERVER.

Hard.

To look upon lips we have kissed,
And know we must kiss them no more;
On hands we have held and caressed,
And know the caressing is o'er.

To look into eyes that have shone
With blessed and glorious light—
The dear light of love in our own,
And see them withdrawn from our sight.

To see in a beautiful face—
No face in this wide world so dear—
On forehead or brow not a trace,
To show that a loved is near.

To hear not a tone in the voice—
From the sweet smiling lips not a word
Confessing a thought of past joys,
That the cry of our spirit is heard.

These are—the experience that stings,
That causes the struggle for breath,
That unto the faithful heart brings
The chill and the anguish of death.

A PIN-HUNTER.—In the Rue du Bac, Paris, there died some days ago, about 40 years of age, the Baron de Sevres, a gentleman who had devoted nearly all his life to a most extraordinary pursuit, the excitement of which is said to have sent him to an untimely grave. Amongst the property he left were found two large and heavy boxes, which by the heirs were supposed to contain cash, but turned out to be filled with hundreds of thousands of all imaginable kinds of pins. Some years ago, when in Paris, a gentleman of noble appearance was pointed out to me, whose curious way of walking had attracted my attention. It was the Baron de Sevres. He was walking along one of the roads of the Bois de Boulogne, with his back bent, his eyes restlessly searching the ground, and now and then stooping down as if to pick up something. I then learned that for the last twenty years his regular habit had been to pass along the most frequent streets and places of resort, and to pick up any pins he discovered on the ground—a habit which, from a praiseworthy carefulness, had gradually become the dominating passion of his life. He has been noticed scrutinizing the floor in the pit of theatres, hardly looking for a moment at the stage; still more frequently he was seen searching the lobbies leading to the boxes for the precious treasurs. Concert rooms formed his principal attraction; but his richest harvest, he confessed, were the numerous places of worship, which, of course, were regularly attended by this curious specimen of human eccentricity.

SAGACITY EXTRAORDINARY.—The Madras *Examiner* of the 16th of May is responsible for the following story: "An elephant was sent to Nagercoil for the purpose of piling timber by the Dewan, who requested the wife of a missionary residing there to be good enough to see the animal fed, and thus prevent its keeper from abstracting its food. It was therefore brought to the house for this purpose, and at first all went on correctly; but after a time it was suspected that the amount of rice was getting smaller and smaller; so one day the keeper was remonstrated with, and, of course, protested against the imputation of having taken it, adding, in true native phraseology, 'Madam, do you think I could rob my child?' The elephant looked on most sagaciously, and at this stage of the proceedings quietly threw his trunk around his keeper, and untied his bulky waist cloth, when the missing rice fell to the ground.

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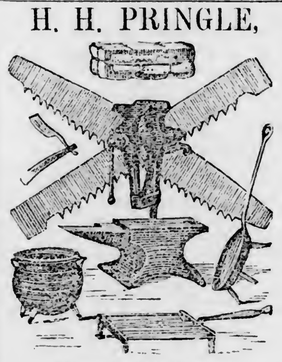

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The French are the first military nation of modern as the Romans long were of ancient Europe, and the former assert, as the latter maintained, the liability of every citizen to render military service to his country. Every Frenchman at twenty years of age must stand his chance among the French males of like age of being drafted to serve in the Army—his liability to serve ceasing with his thirtieth year.

But there are various grounds of exception from service, while the right to serve by substitute was long ago established. Hence arose an extensive traffic or brokerage in substitutes—speculators buying up all the stock in market to sell to whomsoever should choose to pay their price for it. Under this system it was found that the substitutes usually received about $100, while the brokers exacted from $500 upward, according to the ruling of the market. And the Government found that its substitutes were apt to be a hard lot—discharged convicts, profligates, reprobates, and bad boys generally. The speculators in substitutes had no interest in the matter but to procure the cheapest article that would be accepted, while the drafted men was governed by a similar impulse. Thus the substitutes corrupted and deteriorated the army.

In view of these facts, the Government took the substitute business wholly into its own hands, fixing a uniform price for substitutes in time of peace and a somewhat higher price in time of war. Whoever chooses to serve by substitute pays that price over to the Government, and receives a certificate of exemption, and the Government employs the money so paid to hire the best substitute it can find—a veteran soldier if possible, who is worth two average recruits to the service. And that is exactly what our Government aims at in the $300 exemption. A fixed, well-known price—all paid to the substitute, not a cent to a speculator; the very best substitutes that the price will command; and the Government managing the whole business in the interest of the service—such are the results of a system which has stood the test of experience in the most effective military service on earth.

—"But why not make every drafted person serve in person?" it is asked. We answer—because that is not best. As a rule, he who would render military service for a bounty of $300, is presumptively a better soldier than he who will pay the $300 to escape serving. Thus the semi-rebels of lower Maryland would be worth very little to the Union service; but the $300 each that they will pay to escape serving will induce far better men to take their places. Moreover, there are thousands of patriotic men, who would make good soldiers, who can be of more service to the national cause elsewhere than in the field. To send them to the war is to take them from positions where they are now rendering important service to the cause of the Union. The nation wants soldiers for its defense; but it needs men at work in various civil capacities, to render the soldiers in the field effective. The law as it stands is well meant and well considered. Let us stand by it as it is!—*New York Tribune.*

THE PRESIDENT.—There has been no President for the past half century who has so unostentatiously exhibited that spirit of magnanimity, honest philanthropy, and personally disinterested kindness as has been shown by Abraham Lincoln. We have seen many instances of his kind and charitable acts, and yet there are no doubt innumerable instances where he has privately administered, not to be beheld of men, to the many wants of the poor soldiers who have seen and conversed with him. During the past week an eye-witness informs us that he was passing through the Pale grove of trees between the President's house and the war department, early in the morning, he saw President Lincoln just ahead of him, sitting down under a tree talking to a soldier who had just presented his petition or claim for something. The President sat right down under the tree, took out his pencil, and then and there "acted upon it," by indorsing and referring it, orderly to the proper department. After conversing a short time with the soldier, and encouraging him, the President proceeded to the executive mansion, the consciousness that his noble act had made that soldier's heart beat with gratitude as great as if he had suddenly been presented with a fortune.—*Washington Chronicle.*

The city of Portland, Maine, is about to provide $300 for every man who shall be drafted from that city to serve in the Armies of the Union, provided he stands the draft either by going to war himself, or by securing an accepted substitute. This is talking to the purpose. Pay whatever is fair and just to recruit the National armies, but never a cent to deplete and cripple them.

Under the new postage law the franking privilege previously enjoyed by Mrs. Harrison and Mrs. Polk, relicts of our ex-Presidents, as well as that of ex-Presidents Fillmore, Pierce, and Buchanan, is abolished; their correspondence is chargeable with postage, and when not prepaid on letters and papers sent to them the rate on each is double.

The leading democratic German organ in Northern Ohio, the *Germania*, of Cleveland, has hoisted the name of John Brough as its candidate for governor. The Germans of Ohio universally repudiate the scoundrel Vallandigham.

A Liverpool paper says that there were, at the date of writing, 40 ships on route from India to that town with no less than 166,625 bales of cotton on board.

PRISONERS CAPTURED.—A careful estimate has been made in official quarters of the prisoners taken, and the number killed and wounded in the various rebel armies during June and July, and it is found that the liberal estimate of their forces, their available strength during that time has been reduced just one half. If we exaggerate the forces at the various points in the Confederacy, it is hard to make their army reach 250,000, while our entire forces must be double that number. If we give Lee 70,000, Bragg, 40,000, A. P. Hill [in Richmond] 25,000, Price 10,000, Beauregard 20,000, Mobile, 5,000, Savannah 5,000, and Johnston 20,000—we can hardly make 200,000 men in the rebel ranks. It is no wonder, then, that Jeff Davis, recognizing the great question of exhaustion, calls for wholesale conscription.—*N. Y. Commercial Advertiser.*

The editor of the Cuba (N. Y.) *True Patriot* has drawn a prize, and the fellow, here that he is, says this week:

"Here we are! Having received a polite invitation from the Provost Marshal of this district, to attend a little select party which is to come off somewhere down South, we this week take leave of the readers of the *True Patriot* for a longer or shorter period, as God wills it. In other words, we have been drafted into the U. S. service, and 'we are a coming Father Abraham,' one hundred and ninety-seven pounds strong. We have only time to state that we do not grumble because we have been stuck. Not a bit of it! The draft is a bully thing! Let it go on!"

Gen. Burnside has issued a general order commanding officers in the Department of Ohio in case of a writ of habeas corpus issued from State Courts for persons in the official military custody, either as spies, deserters, or parties tried before a military court, to make a respectful return of said writ, setting forth, first, that the respondent is a military officer, duly commissioned; second, the reason for which the person demanded is held in custody; that, that the production of said person would be in violation of orders from superior authority; fourth, that said person is now held under the authority of the United States for said reasons, without intending any disrespect to the honorable judge issuing the writ.

A PATRIOTIC WOMAN.—At Plattsburg, N. Y., the other day, a man of no very great loyal pretensions called on a widow and informed her that her only son was drafted, and then hastened to tell her that he could secure his exemption if she would certify that she was a widow, and that he was her only son, and that she was dependent on him for support. The patriotic lady made the following reply; "I can certify to no such thing. I am not dependent on my son for support, and I never expect to be. Besides, I think he ought to go, if he is able to perform military duty, and every other able bodied man, till this wicked rebellion is put down. Nothing but the necessity of wearing these skirts has kept me from going.'

WHO IS OLD?—A wise man will never rust out. As long as he can move and breathe, he will do something for himself, his neighbor, or for posterity. Almost to the last hour of his life, Wellington was at work. So were Newton, Bacon, Milton, and Franklin. The vigor of their lives never decayed. No rust marred their spirits. It is a foolish idea to suppose that we must lie down and die because we are old. Who is old? Not the man of energy; not the day-laborer in science, art, or benevolence; but he only who suffers his energies to waste away, and the springs of life to become motionless; on whose hands the hours drag heavily; to whom all things wear the garb of gloom.

Regarding substitutes, the Hartford *Post* of Saturday says: "The number of Canadians arriving here is on the increase. This is equally true of other cities. Over two hundred reached Boston yesterday. There has been so much skedaddling from the states into Canada, that it has greatly reduced the demand for and price of labor, so that the Canadians themselves find it to their advantage to come here and offer themselves for substitutes, realizing the large premiums offered."

COINCIDENCES.—The death of Maj. McCook furnishes some melancholy coincidences in the history of his family in connection with the war. His youngest son, Charles, was killed at the first battle of Bull Run, on the 21st day of July, 1861; his son, Col. Robert McCook, was killed on the 21st day of July, 1862, and the father was himself killed on the 21st day of July, 1863.—*Cincinnati Gazette.*

Rev. Dr. Bacon, of New Haven, has in preparation a life of the late Admiral Foote, which will be published early in the fall. This life is to be published with the authority of the Admiral's family, all of his papers having been put at the disposal of Dr. Bacon for this purpose.

The New York *Express* establishment has been placed in the hands of a receiver; one of the editors and proprietors (Mr. Clark) being utterly and irreprossibly dissatisfied with its disloyal tone and attitude, and insisting on a partition of interest.

Mr. Pearson, Confederate Agent in England, who is ruined, finds himself in that condition from having lost near a half million of dollars in his vain efforts to run the blockade.

A motto of the Vallandigham democrats, expressing their opinion exactly: "Freedom of speech for treason and rebellion, but no freedom of speech against slavery."

MONETARY QUOTATIONS OF FOLLETT & RENICK.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

Bankable Funds.

New England,	Bank State of Indiana.
New York.	Iowa,
New Jersey,	Michigan,
Ohio.	U. S Demand Notes.
Canada.	Wisconsin,
Philadelphia,	Bank of Minnesota,
Marine Bank, Minn.,	Winona Co. Bank,
Bank of Chatfield,	State Bank of Minn.,
Peoples' Bank,	Pittsburg.

Exchange.

FOR BANKABLE FUNDS.

	Buying.	Selling.
New York, Philadelphia, Boston,	¼ prem.	½ prem.
Chicago and Milwaukee,	par.	¼ prem.

PREMIUM FUNDS.

Gold,	29	30
Silver (large),	10	15
U. S. Demand Notes,	29	30
Canada,	15	30

RETAIL PRICES CURRENT.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY G. F. BATCHELDER.

HASTINGS, August 4, 1863.

FLOUR, per sack,	$3 00
WHEAT, per bushel,	65@70
CORN, do	40@45
OATS, do	60
POTATOES, do	75
BEANS, do	1 50
ONIONS, do	50
CRANBERRIES,	2 00
HAY, per ton,	6 00@8 00
WOOD, per cord,	3 00@4 00
SALT, per bbl	3 50
EGGS, per doz	12
BUTTER, per lb,	10@15
CHEESE, per lb	8@12
OIL, per cwt,	2 25
BEEF, per cwt,	3 00
HAMS, per cwt,	8@9
SHOULDERS, per cwt,	5@6
DRIED APPLES,	9
DRIED PEACHES,	15@25
SUGARS, per lb	12@17
Molasses, per gal	70@1 00
COFFEE, Java,	30
do Rio,	25

FRED. B. CURTISS. W. C. COWLES.

CURTISS & COWLES,
DEALERS IN
Shoe and Harness Leather,

saddlery hardware, shoe findings, etc., Ramsey Street, near Levee, and lumber of all descriptions at corner of Second and Eddy Streets.

Hastings, Feb. 19, 1863. 45-tf

DAKOTA WORKS.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENT

MANUFACTORY.

MONTGOMERY & THOMPSON,

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We are now manufacturing a number of the celebrated

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the very best mill of the age. All we ask is a fair trial to convince the most incredulous that it is the best mill for *all purposes ever invented.*

Farmers, call and see it tested.

We are now prepared to repair all kinds of agricultural implements in the best manner, and at short notice.

Thankful for the liberal encouragement we have received in the past we hope, by strict and prompt attention to business, to merit a continuation of it in the future.

Hastings, June 14, 1863. 10-tf.

THE CONTINENTAL MONTHLY.—The readers of the *Continental* are aware of the important position it has assumed, of the influence which it exerts, and of the brilliant array of political and literary talent of the highest order which supports it. No publication of the kind has, in this country, so successfully combined the energy and freedom of the daily newspaper with the higher literary tone of the first-class monthly: and it is very certain that the magazine has given wider range to its contributors, or preserved itself so completely from the narrow influences of party or faction. In times like the present, such a journal is either a power in the land or it is nothing. That the *Continental* is not the latter is abundantly evinced by what it has done—by the reflection of its counsels in many important public events, and in the character and power of those who are its staunchest supporters.

Though but little more than a year has elapsed since the *Continental* was first established, it has during that time acquired a strength, and a political significance elevating it to a position far above that previously occupied by any publication of the kind in America. In proof of which assertion we call attention to the following facts:

1. Of its political articles republished in pamphlet form, a single one has thus far, a circulation of one hundred and six thousand copies.

2. From its literary department, a single serial novel, Among the Pines, has, within a very few months, sold nearly thirty-five thousand copies. Two other series of its literary articles have also been republished in book form while the first portion of a third is already in press.

No more conclusive facts need to be alleged to prove the excellence of the contributions to the *Continental*, or their extraordinary popularity; and its conductors are determined that it shall not fall behind. Preserving all "the boldness, vigor, and ability" which a thousand journals have attributed to it, it will greatly enlarge its circle of action, and discuss, fearlessly and frankly, every principle involved in the great questions of the day. The first minds of the country, embracing the men most familiar with its diplomacy and most distinguished for ability, are among its contributors; and it is no mere flattering promise of a prospectus to say that this magazine for the times will employ the first intellect in America, under auspices which no publication ever enjoyed before in this country.

While the *Continental* will express decided opinions on the great questions of the day, it will not be a mere political journal: much the larger portion of its columns will be enlivened, as heretofore, by tales, poetry, and humor. In a word, the *Continental* will be found, under its new staff of editors, occupying a position and presenting attractions never before found in a magazine.

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Two copies for one year,	$ 5 00
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Freight transported to Milwaukee, Chicago, or points South and East at as low rates and as quick time guaranteed as by any other route from the Mississippi River.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

J. W. PRATT & CO.,
Dealers in
Cloths, Cassimeres, Vestings,
and Tailor's Trimmings.
Also, Hats, Caps, and Gents'
FURNISHING GOODS.
Hastings, Minn., May 14, 1863. 5-tf

AUCTION NOTICE.—WE WILL SELL at auction, at the lowest rates of commission, Real Estate, Bonds, Mortgages, Horses, Wagons, Buggies, Cattle, Merchandise, and Property of every description, and we will make cash advances on all kinds of property, and we keep on hand Notions, Watches, and Jewelry to sell the trade and peddlars. Business from the country promptly attended to. Auction sales every evening. Special sales at 10 A. M. H. E. BAKER & Co., Auctioneers,
On Third Street, second door from the Merchants' Hotel, St. Paul. Minn. 45-1y

BLACKSMITH SHOP.

PLOWS! PLOWS!! PLOWS!!

I have just established myself in the above business on Second Street, above Herzog & Corson's Furniture Factory, and am prepared to do all kinds of Blacksmithing.

Also, constantly on hand all kinds of plows of the most approved patterns and made of the best material. I shall be obliged for a share of public patronage, and shall always warrant my work to be of the best quality. JOHN BATEMAN.
Hastings, Nov. 20, 1862. 32-tf

BLACKSMITH
AND
WAGON SHOP.

I HAVE just opened a new Blacksmith and Wagon Shop on the corner of Vermillion and Fifth streets, where I am prepared to execute all kinds of work in my line, promptly, well, and as cheap as any body else. All who want a first rate wagon, or repairing, or blacksmithing of any sort, give me a call and judge for yourselves. JOHN STREET,
Hastings, June 17, 1862. 1y

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LEGAL NOTICES.

ESTRAY.—STRAYED FROM THE premises of the subscriber, on the 19th inst., a pair of large, red, six year old oxen, each having a white spot on the hip and under the flank, and on the tip of the tail. One had a star in the forehead, and the other a hole through the right horn. Each had a rope around the horns when they left, and one a board in front. A liberal reward will be paid to any one returning the same or giving information as to where they may be found.

T. D. AYLSWORTH.
Pine Bend, July 25, 1863. 16-tf

DISTRICT COURT, DAKOTA COUNTY.—ss. (Revenue Stamp.)

Victoria Tripp *against* Amanzel D. Tripp. Summons for relief.

The state of Minnesota to Amanzel D. Tripp:

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, of which a copy is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscribers at their office in the city of Hastings, county of Dakota and state of Minnesota, within ninety days after service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said comp int within the time aforesaid the plaintiff in this action will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated June 15, 1863.

ROBINSON & JENNINGS,
12-7t Plff's Att'ys, Hastings, Minn.

NOTICE.—NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned will sell at public auction, in front of his dwelling-house in the town of Lakeville, Dakota County, Minnesota, on the 19th day of August, 1863, the following described personal property, the property of Owens Kelley, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy and pay the sum of fifty dollars and the costs of keeping said property until said 19th day of August, 1863, and the costs and expenses of sale, to-wit:

One spotted Cow. One red Cow, three years old. One red and white heifer, two years old. One red heifer, two years old. One red and white steer, two years old.

Said personal property will be sold to satisfy a lien which the undersigned has upon said property for keeping the same from about the first day of December, 1862, to the 15th day of April, 1863, amounting to thirty-five dollars, and to satisfy and pay the sum of fifteen dollars for keeping the same since the said 15th day of April, 1863. Said personal property was pledged to the undersigned as security for the payment of said thirty-five dollars and the cost and expense of keeping the same from and since said 15th day of April, 1863.

C. L. HOSMER.
Lakeville, July 24th, 1863. 16-3w*

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the next general term of the district court to be holden in the city of Hastings in and for the county of Dakota on the third Tuesday, being the 15th day of September next, at the opening of the court or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, the undersigned, proprietors of the principal portion of Pine Bend, in said Dakota County, will move for the vacation of the survey of the following described lots, blocks, and streets in said town plat, viz: lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 in block 22, all lots in block 31, all do. in block 42, all lots in block 43, all lots in blocks 44, 45, 60, 74, 75, 94, 93, 90, 91, 58 92, and 89, lots 1 to 6 and 16 in block 59, Bluff Street, Third Street from Foster Street to Pine Street, 7th Street, Olive Street from 6th to west line of blocks 93 and 94, Prospect Street, west of 6th Street, Morrison Street, west of 4th Street, and east of 2d Street, Sixth Street, Fifth Street north of Foster Street, Elm and Ash Streets north of Main Street, and lots from 1 to 14 inclusive in block 31, and the entire survey of that portion of said town plat or site, which is upon the north east quarter of the north-west quarter of section 18, and the east half of lot no. 2 in section 7, town 115, range 18.

H. G. O. MORRISON,
WM. A. BISSELL,
ROBT. FOSTER,
F. M. BISSELL,
S. B. MORRISON,
By his Atty. H. G. O. Morrison.
Pine Bend, June 29, 1863. 13-4w

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF Ramsey. District Court, Second Judicial District.

Abel Willoughby *against* Amherst Willoughby and Seraphine E. Willoughby, his wife; Simon Powers and Frances Powers, his wife; Augustus Chapron, John Willoughby, Lorin C. Gollins, Charles Parsee, William Bostwick, R. M. S. Pease, Charles Hunt, Reuben Bostwick, Platt A. Paine, Richard H. Pease, John D. Phoenix, Francis M. Babcock, John Babcock, Philip Phoenix, and W. L. Minster.

In pursuance of a judgment of the district court of the second judicial district of the state of Minnesota, made in the above entitled action, bearing date the 14th day of December, A.D. 1861, together with an amendment thereto, or further judgment in said action, duly made by said court, and bearing date on the 13th day of December, A. D. 1862, I, Daniel A. Robertson, sheriff of said county of Ramsey, appointed by said court to execute such judgment, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the front door of the court house, in the city of St. Paul, Ramsey County, Minnesota, on Thursday, the sixth day of August, A. D. 1863, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, the following premises and real estate, that is to say:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Ramsey County, Minnesota, described as follows, to-wit: The north one-third of lots numbered six (6) and seven (7) in block numbered twenty-six (26) in the town of St. Paul—said parts of lots being fifty feet front on Roberts Street, and one hundred feet on Fourth Street, and being the same property purchased of Ewing by said Amherst Willoughby and Simon Powers. Also all those certain tracts or parcels of land lying and being in the county of Dakota and state of Minnesota, described as follows, to-wit: The west half of the south-west quarter and the south-east quarter of the south-west quarter of section fourteen, the north-west quarter of the north-west quarter of section twenty three, and the south-west quarter of the north-east quarter, the north half of the south-east quarter and the south-east quarter of the south-east quarter of section fifteen, all in township number one hundred and fourteen, north of range number nineteen west, containing in all 320 acres of land according to the U. S. government survey thereof.

Dated St. Paul, June 19th, A. D. 1863.

DANIEL A. ROBERTSON,
Sheriff of Ramsey County.
H. R. Bigelow, Plff's Atty. 11-td

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Has just opened on Ramsey Street, at the stand lately occupied by Mrs. Bixby, a very choice and well selected stock of millinery goods, to which she invites the attention of the ladies of this city and its vicinity. Having secured the services of a competent and fashionable milliner, and provided herself with the latest patterns, she is prepared to serve the ladies in millinery and dress making in the most approved and latest styles. Mrs. T. will keep her stock well replenished with such articles as may be called for in the market, and by employing none but the very best help, and a faithful attention to her business, she hopes to merit and receive the patronage of the public. 4-tf

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Daily, Semi-Weekly, Weekly.

The proprietors of the *Wisconsin*, begs leave to announce that owing to increasing expenditures for Special Telegraphic and War Correspondence, together with various improvements in contemplation for the coming year, he has felt compelled to make some changes in the scale of prices at which it is furnished to subscribers. By comparison with the prices of other journals, it will be seen that the *Wisconsin* is still, as it ever has been, the cheapest paper in the North-West.

We shall continue to print the *Wisconsin* upon the plainest type and the finest paper that can be made, thus retaining the name of the "handsomest paper in the state."

The present proprietor has conducted the paper over fifteen years, and it is unnecessary for him to speak of his ability or enterprise as a Live Independent Newspaper. He will only say that his journal is faithfully pledged to the suppression of the rebellion and the destruction of the rebels in arms, by every means in the power of the Government, and to the most cordial and active support of the President in his Proclamation of Freedom.

Our list of correspondence embraces every regiment of Wisconsin soldiers, as well as the several grand divisions of the Union Army. The Local and Commercial Departments will receive the undivided attention of the most competent Editors and Reporters.

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THE CONSERVER.

The Exemption.

The French are the first military nation of modern as the Romans long were of ancient Europe, and the former assert, as the latter maintained, the liability of every citizen to render military service to his country. Every Frenchman at twenty years of age must stand his chance among the French males of like age of being drafted to serve in the Army—his liability to serve ceasing with his thirtieth year.

But there are various grounds of exemption from service, while the right to serve by substitute was long ago established. Hence arose an extensive traffic or brokerage in substitutes—speculators buying up all the stock in market to sell to whomsoever should choose to pay their price for it. Under this system, it was found that the substitutes usually received about $100, while the brokers exacted from $500 upward, according to the ruling of the market. And the Government found that its substitutes were apt to be a hard lot—discharged convicts, profligates, reprobates, and bad boys generally. The speculators in substitutes had no interest in the matter but to procure the cheapest article that would be accepted, while the drafted men was governed by a similar impulse. Thus the substitutes corrupted and deteriorated the army.

In view of these facts, the Government took the substitute business wholly into its own hands, fixing a uniform price for substitutes in time of peace and a somewhat higher price in time of war. Whoever chooses to serve by substitute pays that price over to the Government, and receives a certificate of exemption, and the Government employs the money so paid to hire the best substitute it can find—a veteran soldier if possible, who is worth two average recruits to the service. And that is exactly what our Government aims at in the $300 exemption. A fixed, well-known price—all paid to the substitute, not a cent to a speculator; the very best substitutes that the price will command; and the Government managing the whole business in the interest of the service—such are the results of a system which has stood the test of experience in the most effective military service on earth.

—"But why not make every drafted person serve in person?" it is asked. We answer—because that is not best. As a rule, he who would render military service for a bounty of $300, is presumptively a better soldier than he who will pay the $300 to escape serving. Thus the semi-rebels of lower Maryland would be worth very little to the Union service; but the $300 each that they will pay to escape serving will induce far better men to take their places. Moreover, there are thousands of patriotic men, who would make good soldiers, who can be of more service to the national cause elsewhere than in the field. To send them to the war is to take them from positions where they are now rendering important service to the cause of the Union. The nation wants soldiers for its defense; but it needs men at work in various civil capacities, to render the soldiers in the field effective. The law as it stands is well meant and well considered. Let us stand by it as it is!—*New York Tribune.*

THE PRESIDENT.—There has been no President for the past half century who has so unostentatiously exhibited that spirit of magnanimity, honest philanthropy, and personally disinterested kindness as has been shown by Abraham Lincoln. We have seen many instances of his kind and charitable acts, and yet there are no doubt innumerable instances where he has privately administered, not to be beheld of man, to the many wants of the poor soldiers who have seen and conversed with him. During the past week an eye-witness informs us that he was passing through the little grove of trees between the President's house and the war department, early in the morning, he saw President Lincoln just ahead of him, sitting down under a tree talking to a soldier who had just presented his petition or claim for something. The President sat right down under the tree, took out his pencil, and then and there "acted upon it," by indorsing and referring it, probably to the proper department. After conversing a short time with the soldier, and encouraging him, the President proceeded to the executive mansion, a conscious that his noble act had made that soldier's heart beat with gratitude as great as if he had suddenly been presented with a fortune.—*Washington Chronicle.*

The city of Portland, Maine, is about to provide $300 for every man who shall be drafted from that city to serve in the Armies of the Union, provided he stands the draft either by going to war himself, or by securing an accepted substitute. This is talking to the purpose. Pay whatever is fair and just to recruit the National armies, but never a cent to deplete and cripple them.

Under the new postage law the franking privilege previously enjoyed by Mrs. Harrison and Mrs. Polk, relicts of our ex-Presidents, as well as that of ex-Presidents Fillmore, Pierce, and Buchanan, is abolished; their correspondence is chargeable with postage, and when not prepaid on letters and papers sent to them the rate on each is double.

The leading democratic German organ in Northern Ohio, the *Germania*, of Cleveland, has hoisted the name of John Brough as its candidate for governor. The Germans of Ohio universally repudiate the scoundrel Vallandigham.

A Liverpool paper says that there were, at the date of writing, 40 ships on route from India to that town, with no less than 166,525 bales of cotton on board.

PRISONERS CAPTURED.—A careful estimate has been made in official quarters of the prisoners taken, and the number killed and wounded in the various rebel armies during June and July, and it is found that the liberal estimate of their forces, their available strength during that time has been reduced just one half. If we exaggerate the forces at the various points in the Confederacy, it is hard to make their army reach 250,000, while our entire forces must be double that number. If we give Lee 70,000, Bragg, 40,000, A. P. Hill [in Richmond] 25,000, Price 10,000, Beauregard 20,000, Mobile, 5,000, Savannah 5,000, and Johnston 20,000—we can hardly make 200,000 men in the rebel ranks. It is no wonder, then, that Jeff Davis, recognizing the great question of exhaustion, calls for wholesale conscription.—*N. Y. Commercial Advertiser.*

The editor of the Cuba (N. Y.) *True Patriot* has drawn a prize, and the fellow, hero that he is, says this week:

"Here we are! Having received a polite invitation from the Provost Marshal of this district, to attend a little select party which is to come off somewhere down South, we this week take leave of the readers of the *True Patriot* for a longer or shorter period, as God wills it. In other words, we have been drafted into the U. S. service, and 'we are a coming Father Abraham,' one hundred and ninety-seven pounds strong. We have only time to state that we do not grumble because we have been stuck. Not a bit of it! The draft is a bully thing! Let it go on!"

Gen. Burnside has issued a general order commanding officers in the Department of Ohio in case of a writ of habeas corpus issued from State Courts for persons in the official military custody, either as spies, deserters, or parties tried before a military court, to make a respectful return of said writ, setting forth, first, that the respondent is a military officer, duly commissioned; second, the reason for which the person demanded is held in custody; that, that the production of said person would be in violation of orders from superior authority; fourth, that said person is now held under the authority of the United States for said reasons, without intending any disrespect to the honorable judge issuing the writ.

A PATRIOTIC WOMAN.—At Plattsburg, N. Y., the other day, a man of no very great loyal pretensions called on a widow and informed her that her only son was drafted, and then hastened to tell her that he could secure his exemption if she would certify that she was a widow, and that he was her only son, and that she was dependent on him for support. The patriotic lady made the following reply; "I can certify to no such thing. I am not dependent on my son for support, and I never expect to be. Besides, I think he ought to go, if he is able to perform military duty, and every other able bodied man, till this wicked rebellion is put down. Nothing but the necessity of wearing these skirts has kept me from going.'

WHO IS OLD?—A wise man will never rust out. As long as he can move and breathe, he will do something for himself, his neighbor, or for posterity. Almost to the last hour of his life, Wellington was at work. So were Newton, Bacon, Milton, and Franklin. The vigor of their lives never decayed. No rust marred their spirits. It is a foolish idea to suppose that we must lie down and die because we are old. Who is old? Not the man of energy; not the day-laborer in science, art, or benevolence; but he only who suffers his energies to waste away, and the springs of life to become motionless; on whose hands the hours drag heavily; to whom all things wear the garb of gloom.

Regarding substitutes, the Hartford *Post* of Saturday says: "The number of Canadians arriving here is on the increase. This is equally true of other cities. Over two hundred reached Boston yesterday. There has been so much skedaddling from the states into Canada, that it has greatly reduced the demand for and price of labor, so that the Canadians themselves find it to their advantage to come here and offer themselves for substitutes, realizing the large premiums offered."

COINCIDENCES.—The death of Maj. McCook furnishes some melancholy coincidences in the history of his family in connection with the war. His youngest son, Charles, was killed at the first battle of Bull Run, on the 21st day of July, 1861; his son, Col. Robert McCook, was killed on the 21st day of July, 1862, and the father was himself killed on the 21st day of July, 1863.—*Cincinnati Gazette.*

Rev. Dr. Bacon, of New Haven, has in preparation a life of the late Admiral Foote, which will be published early in the Fall. This life is to be published with the authority of the Admiral's family, all of his papers having been put at the disposal of Dr. Bacon for this purpose.

The New York *Express* establishment has been placed in the hands of a receiver; one of the editors and proprietors (Mr. Clark) being utterly and irreprossibly dissatisfied with its disloyal tone and attitude, and insisting on a partition of interest.

Mr. Pearson, Confederate Agent in England, who is ruined, finds himself in that condition from having lost near a half million of dollars in his vain efforts to run the blockade.

A motto of the Vallandigham democrats, expressing their opinion exactly: "Freedom of speech for treason and rebellion, but no freedom of speech against slavery."

MONETARY QUOTATIONS OF FOLLETT & RENICK.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

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New England,	Bank State of Indiana.
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New Jersey,	Michigan,
Ohio.	U. S Demand Notes.
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CORRECTED WEEKLY BY O. F. BATCHELDER.

HASTINGS, August 4, 1863.

FLOUR, per sack,	$3 00
WHEAT, per bushel,	65@70
CORN, do	40@45
OATS, do	60
POTATOES, do	75
BEANS, do	1 50
ONIONS, do	50
CRANBERRIES,	2 00
HAY, per ton,	6 00@8 00
WOOD, per cord,	3 00@4 00
SALT, per bbl	3 50
EGGS, per doz	12
BUTTER, per lb,	10@15
CHEESE, per lb	8@12
PORK, per cwt,	3@4
BEEF, per cwt,	3 00
HAMS, per cwt,	8@9
SHOULDERS, per cwt,	5@6
DRIED APPLES,	9
DRIED PEACHES,	15@25
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Hastings, June 14, 1863. 10-tf.

THE CONTINENTAL MONTHLY.—The readers of the *Continental* are aware of the important position it has assumed, of the influence which it exerts, and of the brilliant array of political and literary talent of the highest order which supports it. No publication of the kind has, in this country, so successfully combined the energy and freedom of the daily newspaper with the higher literary tone of the first-class monthly; and it is very certain that the magazine has given wider range to its contributors, or preserved itself so completely from the narrow influences of party or faction. In times like the present, such a journal is either a power in the land or it is nothing. That the *Continental* is not the latter is abundantly evinced by what it has done—by the reflection of its counsels in many important public events, and in the character and power of those who are its staunchest supporters.

Though but little more than a year has elapsed since the *Continental* was first established, it has during that time acquired a strength, and a political significance elevating it to a position far above that previously occupied by any publication of the kind in America. In proof of which assertion we call attention to the following facts:

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2. From its literary department, a single serial novel, Among the Pines, has, within a very few months, sold nearly thirty-five thousand copies. Two other series of its literary articles have also been republished in book form, while the first portion of a third is already in press.

No more conclusive facts need to be alleged to prove the excellence of the contributions to the *Continental*, or their extraordinary popularity; and its conductors are determined that it shall not fall behind. Preserving all "the boldness, vigor, and ability" which a thousand journals have attributed to it, it will greatly enlarge its circle of action, and discuss, fearlessly and frankly, every principle involved in the great questions of the day. The first minds of the country, embracing the men most familiar with its diplomacy and most distinguished for ability, are among its contributors; and it is no mere flattering promise of a prospectus to say that this magazine for the times will employ the first intellect in America, under auspices which no publication ever enjoyed before in this country.

While the *Continental* will express decided opinions on the great questions of the day, it will not be a mere political journal: much the larger portion of its columns will be enlivened, as heretofore, by tales, poetry, and humor. In a word, the *Continental* will be found, under its new staff of editors, occupying a position and presenting attractions never before found in a magazine.

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Hastings, Nov. 20, 1862. 32–tf

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LEGAL NOTICES.

ESTRAY.—STRAYED FROM THE premises of the subscriber, on the 19th inst., a pair of large, red, six year old oxen, each having a white spot on the hip and under the flank, and on the tip of the tail. One had a star in the forehead, and the other a hole through the right horn. Each had a rope around the horns when they left, and one a board in front. A liberal reward will be paid to any one returning the same or giving information as to where they may be found.

T. D. AYLSWORTH.
Pine Bend, July 25, 1863. 16–tf

DISTRICT COURT, DAKOTA COUNty.—ss. (Revenue Stamp.)

Victoria Tripp *against* Amanzel D. Tripp. Summons for relief.

The state of Minnesota to Amanzel D. Tripp:

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, of which a copy is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscribers at their office in the city of Hastings, county of Dakota and state of Minnesota, within ninety days after service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said comp int within the time aforesaid the plaintiff in this action will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated June 15, 1863.

ROBINSON & JENNINGS,
12–7t Plff's Att'ys, Hastings, Minn.

NOTICE.—NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned will sell at public auction, in front of his dwelling-house in the town of Lakeville, Dakota County, Minnesota, on the 19th day of August, 1863, the following described personal property, the property of Owens Kelley, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy and pay the sum of fifty dollars and the costs of keeping said property until said 19th day of August, 1863, and the costs and expenses of sale, to-wit:

One spotted Cow. One red Cow, three years old. One red and white heifer, two years old. One red heifer, two years old. One red and white steer, two years old.

Said personal property will be sold to satisfy a lien which the undersigned has upon said property for keeping the same from about the first day of December, 1862, to the 15th day of April, 1863, amounting to thirty-five dollars, and to satisfy and pay the sum of fifteen dollars for keeping the same since the said 15th day of April, 1863. Said personal property was pledged to the undersigned as security for the payment of said thirty-five dollars and the cost and expense of keeping the same from and since said 15th day of April, 1863.

G. L. HOSMER.
Lakeville, July 24th, 1863. 16–3w*

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the next general term of the district court to be holden in the city of Hastings in and for the county of Dakota on the third Tuesday, being the 15th day of September next, at the opening of the court or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, the undersigned, proprietors of the principal portion of Pine Bend, in said Dakota County, will move for the vacation of the survey of the following described lots, blocks, and streets in said town plat, viz: lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 in block 22, all lots in block 31, all do. in block 42, all lots in block 43, all lots in blocks 44, 45, 60, 74, 75, 94, 93, 90, 91, 58 92, and 89, lots 1 to 6 and 16 in block 56, Bluff Street, Third Street from Foster Street to Pine Street, 7th Street, Olive Street from 6th to west line of blocks 93 and 91, Prospect Street, west of 6th Street, Morrison Street, west of 4th Street, and east of 2d Street, Sixth Street, Fifth Street north of Foster Street, Elm and Ash Streets north of Main Street, and lots from 1 to 14 inclusive in block 34, and the entire survey of that portion of said town plat or site, which is upon the north east quarter of the north-west quarter of section 18, and the east half of lot no. 2 in section 7, town 115, range 18.

H. G. O. MORRISON,
WM. A. BISSELL,
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S. B. MORRISON,
By his Atty. H. G. O. Morrison.
Pine Bend, June 29, 1863. 13–4w

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF Ramsey. District Court, Second Judicial District.

Abel Willoughby *against* Amherst Willoughby and Seraphine E. Willoughby, his wife; Simon Powers and Frances Powers, his wife; Augustus Chapron, John Willoughby, Lorin C. Gollins, Charles Pardee, William Bostwick, R. M. S. Pease, Charles Hunt, Reuben Bostwick, Platt A. Paine, Richard H. Pease, John D. Phoenix, Francis M. Babcock, John Babcock, Philip Phoenix, and W. L. Minster.

In pursuance of a judgment of the district court of the second judicial district of the state of Minnesota, made in the above entitled action, bearing date the 14th day of December, A.D. 1861, together with an amendment thereto, or further judgment in said action, duly made by said court, and bearing date on the 13th day of December, A. D. 1862, I, Daniel A. Robertson, sheriff of said county of Ramsey, appointed by said court to execute such judgment, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the front door of the court house, in the city of St. Paul, Ramsey County, Minnesota, on Thursday, the sixth day of August, A. D. 1863, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, the following premises and real estate, that is to say:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Ramsey County, Minnesota, described as follows, to-wit: The north one-third of lots numbered six (6) and seven (7) in block numbered twenty-six (26) in the town of St. Paul—said parts of lots being fifty feet front on Roberts Street, and one hundred feet on Fourth Street, and being the same property purchased of Ewing by said Amherst Willoughby and Simon Powers. Also all those certain tracts or parcels of land lying and being in the county of Dakota and state of Minnesota, described as follows to-wit: The west half of the south-west quarter and the south-east quarter of the south-west quarter of section fourteen, the north-west quarter of the north-west quarter of section twenty three, and the south-west quarter of the north-east quarter, the north half of the south-east quarter and the south-east quarter of the south-east quarter of section fifteen, all in township number one hundred and fourteen, north of range number nineteen west, containing in all 320 acres of land according to the U. S. government survey thereof.

Dated St. Paul, June 19th, A. D. 1863.

DANIEL A. ROBERTSON,
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H. R. Bigelow, Plff's Atty. 11–td

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THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 1863.

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Town Caucus.

The republicans and all other unconditional union men who subscribe to the sentiments inculcated in the call issued by the central committee for a state convention are requested to meet in Teutonia Hall on Thursday, Aug. 13th, at 8 o'clock, P. M., to elect seven delegates to represent Hastings in the county convention to be holden in the city of Hastings on Saturday, Aug. 15th, at 1 o'clock, P. M.

By order of Town Committee.
Hastings, Aug. 10, 1863.

Do n't See It.

The Faribault *Statesman* publishes a letter from Hon. Henry M. Rice, given elsewhere, from which it professes to draw a deal of comfort as regards Mr. Rice's future political course. We have read the document carefully, and fail to see it in that light. The editor evidently confounds the name democrat with the present so called democratic party, an entirely different affair altogether. What Mr. Rice will do remains to be seen; but, judging from the tone of his published letters, he will not join hands with the fag-end, bob-tailed remnant of copperheadism now rampant in Minnesota. This is how it appears to us.

The Primary Meetings.

Though this is an exceedingly busy season of the year, and the most difficult for working men to get out to public gatherings of any kind, we would urge upon the republican and union electors to turn out *en masse* to the caucuses. There is the place to do the work, and where the advantages are to be gained. They can be held in the evening, and, although one is fatigued with toil and the heat of the day, he can spend at least an hour in this manner, and to good advantage. Let us see to it that good and loyal men are put in nomination for all offices in the state, and they will be elected by overwhelming majorities.

Address of Jeff Davis.

Jeff Davis has addressed another appeal to his sorrowing people, urging them to make the final struggle and redeem themselves from their "malignant enemy." He endeavors to work upon their baser passions, inflaming them with rage and despair, and showing the utter hopelessness of their fate should they be overpowered. It appeals to absentees to return immediately to the post of duty, and declares general pardon and amnesty to all who shall do so. He implores the women to permit none to remain at home.

Steamboat Disaster.

The steamer Ruth, which left St. Louis for Vicksburg Monday evening, burned four miles below Cairo on the 3d inst. The boat and cargo was entirely consumed. Major Greenwall, Paymaster, and three clerks were lost. Several other paymasters, en route for Grant's army, escaped only with the clothes on their backs. Two millions and a half of government funds were consumed. It is thought that many lives were lost, but the above are the only particulars yet received.

The Kentucky Election.

Partial returns from Kentucky indicate that the unionists have achieved a glorious victory, electing their candidate for governor, Col. Bramlette, by a majority not far from twenty thousand. Green Clay Smith and Brutus J. Clay, Union, are elected to Congress in the VIth and VIIth Districts. Good for Old Kentuck.

Three states hold their annual elections in September, as follows;

Vermont,—Tuesday, Sept. 1st.
California,—Thursday, Sept. 3d.
Maine,—Monday, Sept. 14th.

Each of them elects a governor and legislature, and Vermont and California members of Congress also.

By the great conflagration at Havana less than $1, 500,000 worth of cotton, sugar and other goods, belonging to British blockade runners, was destroyed. A cavalry raid into rebeldom could not have done more damage to the enemy than this fire has accomplished.

EDUCATIONAL.

BY PROF. T. F. THICKSTUN.

We Saw.

We have been to Rochester and back, but the world will not be much the wiser for what we saw. We are no Bayard Taylor to discover long and interesting letters at every turn of the road. We did indeed see rich and beautiful prairies, oak openings, rivers, and dusty roads; but what of all that? We saw, perhaps, the amplest breadth of grain that Minnesota ever raised and also an average yielding crop, rapidly falling before the sturdy attacks of men, women,—the women were driving reaper—and boys, till a third of the crop has been secured in shock, but then there is no particular news in all that. We saw Rochester a busy, bustling city of two-thirds the size of Hastings, building considerably to give room to her rapidly increasing population, and standing tip-toe to catch the first snort of the steam horse which *is* "for sure" to drag the cars from Winona to that place by the autumn of 1864. That perhaps is news. We saw also the humble minister of Jesus in that city lead two willing candidates to a baptismal burial, and extend the hand of church fellowship to six others, who were desirous of casting in their lot with the people of God. We saw, and "went on our way rejoicing" to meet some of the citizens at an educational lecture. They feel just as the whole state feels on the subject of common schools. There is enthusiasm in this direction sufficient to establish all the real improvements of the times, but it lacks concentration. We saw the finest shower of the season at Cannon Falls on our return. It came brewing and blackening the north-western heavens, to patter down at first, in great generous drops, and then to whiz and whir earthword as it thundered and lightened and literally poured itself upon the thirsty fields. The rain is a christian in its way. It condescends not only "to men of low estate" but "rejoices evermore" in its lowliness. It falls with a good cheer on the humble clods of the valley as on the proudest monuments of man's skill, which he is pleased to dignify with the name of art. Its crystal beauties are lavished as freely upon the dusky highway as upon the soft and smoothly shaven green-sward, or the aristocratic vegetation of the horticulturist.

These are some of the things we saw. The rest we do n't choose to publish.

School Houses.

The school houses of Minnesota are largely a minerous quantity, or a miserable substitute for a positive one. Log huts, dingy frames, cellar kitchens, old machine shops, forsaken garrets, are more frequently in use as school houses than anything else. The traveler will indeed now and then meet a neat, tasty, and snug-built frame, brick or stone building, consecrated to schools, but the sight is a rare one. We can not afford to give much yet for educational purposes. True one eighteenth of our state has been consecrated by our policy to common schools, and the school fund accruing from the sale of the school lands is rapidly being realized to the various school boards; yet we are not able, in thousands of instances, to furnish anything better than hovels in which to teach the children of the state. Our dwelling houses may look well, and even our barns be reasonably comfortable ones, but our school houses are too frequently the little end of an infinite series. Towns of two and three thousand inhabitants—wealthy towns, doing a large and increasing business—aye, towns which look for a rail-road in one year from this date, think nothing of being without a school-house. Fill the pocket, though the head go empty, seems the motto of Minnesota. We look, however, for a better day soon. The world moves. So do we.

The Methodist Teachers' Association met last Wednesday in the city of Chicago. Papers were read by various eminent educationalists in the east, west, and north. We hope to learn something of the doings of the meeting by next week.

A Life Thought.

I heard a man who had failed in business, and whose furniture was sold at auction, say that when the cradle, and the crib, and the piano went, tears would come, and he had to leave the house to be a man. Now there are thousands of men who have lost their pianos, but who have found better music in the sound of their children's voices and footsteps going cheerfully down with them to poverty, than any harmony of chorded instruments. Oh! how blessed is bankruptcy when it saves a man's children! I see many men who are bringing up their children as I should bring up mine, if when they were ten years old, I should lay them on a dissecting-table, and cut the sinews of their arms and legs, so that they could neither walk nor use their hands, but only sit still and be fed. Thus, rich men put the knife of indolence and luxury to their children's energies, and they grow up fatted, lazy calves, fitted for nothing, at twenty-five, but to drink deep and squander wide; and the father must be a slave all his life, in order to make beasts of his children. How blessed, then, is the stroke of disaster which sets the children free, and gives them over to the hard but kind bosom of Poverty, who says to them "Work!" and working makes them men!—*Beecher.*

"Boy Wanted."

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Boys are wanted in *heaven.* Since we began this article, a sorrow-stricken father, in a threadbare coat, passed our office with a *little coffin* under his arm. His little boy had been wanted in heaven. Others may soon be called. God desires all, and invites all.

Yes, boys, you are wanted, not only on earth, but in heaven. Are you ready?—*Ex.*

State News.

NEW WHEAT.—Sample lots of this year's crop of wheat have been exhibited on our streets. Our millers pronounce the quality far better than that of any previous crop. The yield, per acre, will be nearly one half more than was anticipated.—*State Atlas.*

THE HARVEST.—Farmers are busy, harvesting their wheat, and report, in most cases, a full average crop. Notwithstanding the severe drought, if the harvest season is propitious, Minnesota will have as large a surplus of wheat as in any former year. The grain is of superior quality.—*Rochester Republican.*

ANOTHER CHURCH.—The Congregational Society have been circulating a paper to obtain funds to build a church edifice. The last time we heard of the paper a thousand dollars had been subscribed. It is the intention of the society to enclose the building this fall, if lumber can be had, and there is no doubt of this, we think.—*Mower Co. Register.*

MORE SOLDIERS.—As an evidence that Anoka county will be prepared to meet all the drafts made upon our population in the future, for soldiers, we may mention the fact that Mrs. Alfred Whitten, of this place, came in possession of four children, three boys and a girl, at one birth, to-day, all alive and doing well. Who says Anoka is not the banner county?—*Republican.*

HARVESTING AND CROPS.—Harvesting is now progressing rapidly, and will be over with before many of us think for. There is no longer any doubt that the crop of wheat will be abundant. Some of our farmers are talking about thirty bushels to the acre, and we believe from what we saw while out recently, that their hopes will be in a great measure realized.—*Red Wing Volunteer.*

A Noble Offer.

ST. PAUL, MINN., Aug. 5, 1863.

To the Editor of the St. Paul Press:

I observed that arrangements are in contemplation to purchase sufficient ground for the burial of the slain at Gettysburg, near Harrisburg, Pa. I cordially offer for this purpose, free of expense, a full lot enclosed with iron railing in the Mt. Kalma Cemetery, at Harrisburg; and will be gratified to furnish the proper permit, to the friends of any of the dead of the First Minnesota Regiment. STEPHEN MILLER.

John Morgan threatened to cross the Ohio at Wheeling. Both Houses of the Legislature of West Virginia adjourned, organized the members into companies, elected officers, shouldered their muskets, and waited for the enemy. They would have passed a special act for John Morgan's discharge from further earthly libilities, had he gone that way.

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Hastings, Minn., Aug. 3, 1863.
18-1w L. SMITH, Auditor of Dakota Co.

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CAUCUS.—Don't forget the caucus on Thursday night at Teutonia Hall, but turn out and bring your neighbor with you.

JEWELRY.—ANDREWS has not yet disposed of his heavy stock of watches and jewelry, but there is still chance to make a good bargain. Try it and see.

DRAPER & BALLARD have received a lot of new goods within the past few days, among which we notice another crate that superior crockery.

TRIAL.—The farcical trial of A. M. HAYES, esq., our provost marshal, for doing his duty in assisting to take the enrollment in St. Paul is fixed to come off on Saturday next, August 15th.

CLOTHING.—Call at PRATT'S and order a superb fall suit made up in the best of style and from the best of material. This is the place to do it and no mistake.

RAIN.—The heavy showers of the past few days are very nice and cooling, but of little benefit to the farmers or to their harvest fields. Considerable loss of time is occasioned, but we hope no other damage will be done.

THANKSGIVING DAY.—This day was generally observed by our citizens, most of the stores and business places being closed a greater portion of the time. Riding and chicken hunting seemed to predominate.

MARBLE WORKS.—See advertisement in another column. Mr. ALDRACH has the reputation of being the best in the state, and persons wishing anything in his line would do well to make application at Winona.

NEWMAN is making preparations for removing into his new building, which will be completed about the 15th inst., at which place he expects to be able to exhibit one of the finest stocks of dry goods ever brought into this market.

"There is a dignity in the use of the quill which Mr. TODD well understands, and we are proud of the wisdom, tact, consistency, and power with which he uses it."—*Independent, 6th inst.*

Thank you, Mr STEBBINS. We really wish we could conscientously return the compliment.

RIVER MATTERS.—The river is rising slowly, being six to eight inches above low water mark. The recent heavy rains will no doubt increase the stage of water materially.

The light draught *Cutter* has been placed on the La Crosse line, and will run with the *Ariel* to connect with the larger boats below, leaving St. Paul at 9 o'clock, A. M.

The *Ada Hine* connects with the Prairie du Chien boats at Prescott leaving St. Paul every evening at half past six o'clock.

THE FRANKLIN SOCIETY.—The first regular meeting of this society since the adjournment was held on Wednesday evening last at Twitchell's school house. The attendance was very good considering the short notice given. The following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

President,—D. E. SYME.
Vice President,—J. H. ETHERIDGE.
Cor. Sec.,—R. W. MONTGOMERY.
Recording Sec.,—R. W. O'BRIEN.
Treasurer,—R. H. CALEFF.
Marshal,—C. B. MARSHALL.

The members of this club propose to make the Franklin Society the best in the state, and they invite all who are interested in this branch of education to unite with them in creating a literary club which shall do honor, not to Hastings alone, but to the whole state. The next regular meeting of the society will be held this evening, Aug. 11th, at the school house. Let there be a full attendance.

PREMATURE.—We were both surprised and indignant on perusing the followiug item from the *North-Western Democrat:* surprised, because *it* was the first intimation we had received of the event said to be so near at hand, and indignant because *it was* the first. Being booked as one of the principals in the affair, whether we will or no, we claim that we should have been informed sooner and in a less public manner. The article gives no particulars, for which we are now anxiously and breathlessly awaiting:

TO BE MARRIED.—While on a visit to Prescott, a few days since, we were informed that our friend Todd, of the *Conserver*, has come to the conclusion "that it is not good to be alone," and has concluded to take unto himself a wife. We hope that the report is true, and we envy the young man his good fortune. There is to be no cards, but smoked shoulders in abundance. May fortune smile on you, brother Todd, in your attempt to follow the instructions of the good book, "to increase and multiply."

Upon reflection we have come to the conclusion that it is a deliberate and malicious attempt to injure our prospects among the fair sex of Hastings, and we have half a mind to arraign the editor of the *Democrat* for slander. But one course is left open, and to which we betake ourself: we appeal to the ladies.

THE HUNT AND SUPPER.—The severe rain storm on Tuesday last, the day fixed for the first irregular hunt of the Sporting Club, completely spoiled the sport, and the hunters returned, thoroughly drenched, and bringing game to the amount of dozens where it otherwise would have been hundreds. The count was small, and decided in favor of the side headed by T. R. HUDDLESTON, esq.

But ye elements conspired not against the supper on the following night, given by the losing side, which was truly worthy of the occasion. Mr. WHITE, the gentlemanly proprietor of the Tremont House, spared no pains to provide for the creature wants of the guests, and to say that the tables were loaded with delicacies would hardly be expressive. Every thing passed off in the most harmonious manner, and we parted at a late hour in the best of humor, and of the general opinion that the Sporting Club was a big thing, and that WHITE was a trump.

The first regular hunt of the club comes off on the 15th inst., at which time we expect to see the fruits of some of the tallest hunting ever witnessed before in Dakota County. The gunner bringing in the largest amount of game is entitled to the captaincy for six months. Hence the preparations. Some persons maliciously hint that ice-houses are in good demand just at present, and that several individuals have already a big count and, if the match was postponed several days, would be sure of winning.

LOCAL ITEMS.—It is generally understood that we devote several columns weekly to local affairs, which we endeavor to render as complete as possible, believing home matters to be of paramount interest and importance to our citizens. Of late the *Independent*, of this city, has made liberal extracts therefrom, to which we have n't the slightest objection, provided the customary credit is given. We do not think it necessary, however, to accompany them with explanatory remarks, as all of its readers may not happen to be as obtuse as the editor of the aforesaid sheet, and the space the comments occupy might be filled to better advantage. It reminds us of a little anecdote: A certain Scottish D. D., whose name has escaped us, wrote a series of notes, very learned and scholastic, on Pilgrim's Progress. After its publication he presented a copy to a worthy but illiterate family, intimate friends of his, for perusal. In the course of a few weeks he visited them again, and very naturally inquired how they liked his book. "O, they were delighted with it! Such clean, nice print! And they understood it so perfectly—*all except the notes!*"

We have hitherto been of the opinion that our items, in the main, were rendered intelligible to the generality of readers; nevertheless, should any one desire further information they can be accommodated by calling at our office at any time during business hours, as we prefer making all needful explanations ourself.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.—Council met August 7th, present Alds. Schaller, Rhese, and Acting Mayor Taylor.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved. The letter of Mrs. McKenny asking aid from the city was read, and on motion of Ald. Rhese a committee of two were appointed to investigate the matter. The following alderman were appointed as such committee: Rhese and Scheller, with instructions to report to the council.

The bill of D. F. Langley for services as city assessor, for $51 80, was allowed by a unanimous vote of the council.

The bill of F. J. Mead for printing, amounting to $24 50, was on motion of Ald. Rhese referred to the committee on finance.

The time having come for letting and receiving bids for the building of side walks in front of all lots fronting on Third Street, on south side of said Third Street in block 21, upon which the side walk was not built commencing at Vermillion Street and running west across said block 21, and also on lots 2, 3, and 4 in block 23 and lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 in block 24 on south side of Third Street.

The contract for building the side walks on the aforementioned lots and blocks was awarded to White and Lee at the following prices: All that part of unfinished side walk in block 21, on south side of Third Street in the city of Hastings, at 37 cents per foot, and for constructing side walk on south side of Third Street, in front of lots 2, 3, and 4 in block 23, at 35 cents per foot, also for building sidewalk in front of lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 in block 24 on south side of Third Street, at 78 cents per foot. All of the above mentioned side walks to be four feet wide, and all crossings of streets and alleys to be four feet wide with a sloping plank on each side. All to be built in good substantial manner and in the usual manner of building side walks in the city of Hastings, subject to the inspection and reception of a committee appointed by the city council to receive the same.

John White, school treasurer, made application to the council for all school money in the city treasurer's hands belonging to the district, and on motion of Ald. Rhese the city clerk was instructed to draw an order on the city treasurer for all delinquent school tax now in his hands, and deliver said order to school treasurer.

On motion council adjourned till Friday evening, Aug. 14th, at 7 o'clock.

G. S. WHITMAN, clerk.

READERS, STOP AND THINK.—We suppose the most of our readers buy and use D. B. DE LAND & CO.'s Chemical Saleratus, but if there are any of you who do not, just stop and think that impure saleratus is very detrimental to the health of yourself and family, while the chemical saleratus is as pure as snow, and is therefore perfectly healthy. It is manufactured at Fairport, Monroe Co., N. Y., and for sale by most merchants and grocers in the country.

DIED.

In this city, August 4th, 1863, NELLIE LOUISE, daughter of N. C. and A. M. DRAPER, aged 11 months.

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THE HASTINGS CONSERVER.

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THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 1863.

Single copies of the CONSERVER may be obtained at this office, or at the Bookstore. Price Five Cents.

Town Caucus.

The republicans and all other unconditional union men who subscribe to the sentiments inculcated in the call issued by the central committee for a state convention are requested to meet in Teutonia Hall on Thursday, Aug. 13th, at 8 o'clock, P. M., to elect seven delegates to represent Hastings in the county convention to be holden in the city of Hastings on Saturday, Aug. 15th, at 1 o'clock, P. M.

By order of Town Committee.
Hastings, Aug. 10, 1863.

Do n't See It.

The Faribault *Statesman* publishes a letter from Hon. Henry M. Rice, given elsewhere, from which it professes to draw a deal of comfort as regards Mr. Rice's future political course. We have read the document carefully, and fail to see it in that light. The editor evidently confounds the name democrat with the present so called democratic party, an entirely different affair altogether. What Mr. Rice will do remains to be seen; but, judging from the tone of his published letters, he will not join hands with the fag-end, bob-tailed remnant of copperheadism now rampant in Minnesota. This is how it appears to us.

The Primary Meetings.

Though this is an exceedingly busy season of the year, and the most difficult for working men to get out to public gatherings of any kind, we would urge upon the republican and union electors to turn out *en masse* to the caucuses. There is the place to do the work, and where the advantages are to be gained. They can be held in the evening, and, although one is fatigued with toil and the heat of the day, he can spend at least an hour in this manner, and to good advantage. Let us see to it that good and loyal men are put in nomination for all offices in the state, and they will be elected by overwhelming majorities.

Address of Jeff Davis.

Jeff Davis has addressed another appeal to his sorrowing people, urging them to make the final struggle and redeem themselves from their "malignant enemy." He endeavors to work upon their baser passions, inflaming them with rage and despair, and showing the utter hopelessness of their fate should they be overpowered. It appeals to absentees to return immediately to the post of duty, and declares general pardon and amnesty to all who shall do so. He implores the women to permit none to remain at home.

Steamboat Disaster.

The steamer Ruth, which left St. Louis for Vicksburg Monday evening, burned four miles below Cairo on the 2d inst. The boat and cargo was entirely consumed. Major Greenwall, Paymaster, and three clerks were lost. Several other paymasters, en route for Grant's army, escaped only with the clothes on their backs. Two millions and a half of government funds were consumed. It is thought that many lives were lost, but the above are the only particulars yet received.

The Kentucky Election.

Partial returns from Kentucky indicate that the unionists have achieved a glorious victory, electing their candidate for governor, Col. Bramlette, by a majority not far from twenty thousand. Green Clay Smith and Brutus J. Clay, Union, are elected to Congress in the VIth and VIIth Districts. Good for Old Kentuck.

Three states hold their annual elections in September, as follows;

Vermont,—Tuesday, Sept. 1st.
California,—Thursday, Sept. 3d.
Maine,—Monday, Sept. 14th.

Each of them elects a governor and legislature, and Vermont and California members of Congress also.

By the great conflagration at Havana no less than $1, 500,000 worth of cotton, sugar and other goods, belonging to british blockade runners, was destroyed. A cavalry raid into rebeldom itself could not have done more damage to the enemy than this fire has accomplished.

EDUCATIONAL.

BY PROF. T. F. THICKSTUN.

We Saw.

We have been to Rochester and back, but the world will not be much the wiser for what we saw. We are no Bayard Taylor to discover long and interesting letters at every turn of the road. We did indeed see rich and beautiful prairies, oak openings, rivers, and dusty roads; but what of all that? We saw, perhaps, the amplest breadth of grain that Minnesota ever raised and also an average yielding crop, rapidly falling before the sturdy attacks of men, women,—the women were driving reaper—and boys, till a third of the crop has been secured in shock, but then there is no particular news in all that. We saw Rochester a busy, bustling city of two-thirds the size of Hastings, building considerably to give room to her rapidly increasing population, and standing tip-toe to catch the first snort of the steam horse which is "for sure" to drag the cars from Winona to that place by the autumn of 1864. That perhaps is news. We saw also the humble minister of Jesus in that city lead two willing candidates to a baptismal burial, and extend the hand of church fellowship to six others, who were desirous of casting in their lot with the people of God. We saw, and "went on our way rejoicing" to meet some of the citizens at an educational lecture. They feel just as the whole state feels on the subject of common schools. There is enthusiasm in this direction sufficient to establish all the real improvements of the times, but it lacks concentration. We saw the finest shower of the season at Cannon Falls on our return. It came brewing and blackening the north-western heavens, to patter down at first, in great generous drops, and then to whiz and whir earthword as it thundered and lightened and literally poured itself upon the thirsty fields. The rain is a christian in its way. It condescends not only "to men of low estate" but "rejoices evermore" in its lowliness. It falls with a good cheer on the humble clods of the valley as on the proudest monuments of man's skill, which he is pleased to dignify with the name of art. Its crystal beauties are lavished as freely upon the dusky highway as upon the soft and smoothly shaven green-sward, or the aristocratic vegetation of the horticulturist.

These are some of the things we saw. The rest we do n't choose to publish.

School Houses.

The school houses of Minnesota are largely a minerous quantity, or a miserable substitute for a positive one. Log huts, dingy frames, cellar kitchens, old machine shops, forsaken garrets, are more frequently in use as school houses than anything else. The traveler will indeed now and then meet a neat, tasty, and snug-built frame, brick or stone building, consecrated to schools, but the sight is a rare one. We can not afford to give much yet for educational purposes. True one eighteenth of our state has been consecrated by our policy to common schools, and the school fund accruing from the sale of the school lands is rapidly being realized to the various school boards; yet we are not able, in thousands of instances, to furnish anything better than hovels in which to teach the children of the state. Our dwelling houses may look well, and even our barns be reasonably comfortable ones, but our school houses are too frequently the little end of an infinite series. Towns of two and three thousand inhabitants—wealthy towns, doing a large and increasing business—aye, towns which look for a rail-road in one year from this date, think nothing of being without a school-house. Fill the pocket, though the head go empty, seems the motto of Minnesota. We look, however, for a better day soon. The world moves. So do we.

The Methodist Teachers' Association met last Wednesday in the city of Chicago. Papers were read by various eminent educationalists in the east, west, and north. We hope to learn something of the doings of the meeting by next week.

A Life Thought.

I heard a man who had failed in business, and whose furniture was sold at auction, say that when the cradle, and the crib, and the piano went, tears would come, and he had to leave the house to be a man. Now there are thousands of men who have lost their pianos, but who have found better music in the sound of their children's voices and footsteps going cheerfully down with them to poverty, than any harmony of chorded instruments. Oh! how blessed is bankruptcy when it saves a man's children! I see many men who are bringing up their children as I should bring up mine, if when they were ten years old, I should lay them on a dissecting-table, and cut the sinews of their arms and legs, so that they could neither walk nor use their hands, but only sit still and be fed. Thus, rich men put the knife of indolence and luxury to their children's energies, and they grow up fatted, lazy calves, fitted for nothing, at twenty-five, but to drink deep and squander wide; and the father must be a slave all his life, in order to make beasts of his children. How blessed, then, is the stroke of disaster which sets the children free, and gives them over to the hard but kind bosom of Poverty, who says to them "Work!" and working makes them men!—*Beecher.*

"Boy Wanted."

Announcements similar to the above are not unfrequently seen in the columns of the daily newspapers, on bulletins, and in the windows of shop-keepers.

Of course boys are wanted. Who doubts it? None but the most superficial thinker, we are sure, could entertain such a thought for a moment. In a few brief years, the boys who are now living will be wanted to proclaim the gospel—will be wanted on the judges' bench—in the gubernatorial and presidential chairs—in the halls of learning; in short, to fill the places now occupied by the mighty millions of earth.

Boys are wanted *now!* They are wanted to fill our public, private and Sabbath schools; to store the intellect and the heart with the useful and the pure; to take the initiatory steps to becoming good and useful citizens.

Boys are wanted in *heaven.* Since we began this article, a sorrow-stricken father, in a threadbare coat, passed our office with a *little coffin* under his arm. His little boy had been wanted in heaven. Others may soon be called. God desires all, and invites all.

Yes, boys, you are wanted, not only on earth, but in heaven. Are you ready?—*Ex.*

State News.

NEW WHEAT.—Sample lots of this year's crop of wheat have been exhibited on our streets. Our millers pronounce the quality far better than that of any previous crop. The yield, per acre, will be nearly one half more than was anticipated.—*State Atlas.*

THE HARVEST.—Farmers are busy, harvesting their wheat, and report, in most cases, a full average crop. Notwithstanding the severe drought, if the harvest season is propitious, Minnesota will have as large a surplus of wheat as in any former year. The grain is of superior quality.—*Rochester Republican.*

ANOTHER CHURCH.—The Congregational Society have been circulating a paper to obtain funds to build a church edifice. The last time we heard of the paper a thousand dollars had been subscribed. It is the intention of the society to enclose the building this fall, if lumber can be had, and there is no doubt of this, we think.—*Mower Co. Register.*

MORE SOLDIERS.—As an evidence that Anoka county will be prepared to meet all the drafts made upon our population in the future, for soldiers, we may mention the fact that Mrs. Alfred Whitten, of this place, came in possession of four children, three boys and a girl, at one birth, to-day, all alive and doing well. Who says Anoka is not the banner county?—*Republican.*

HARVESTING AND CROPS.—Harvesting is now progressing rapidly, and will be over with before many of us think for. There is no longer any doubt that the crop of wheat will be abundant. Some of our farmers are talking about thirty bushels to the acre, and we believe from what we saw while out recently, that their hopes will be in a great measure realized.—*Red Wing Volunteer.*

A Noble Offer.

ST. PAUL, MINN., Aug. 5, 1863.

To the Editor of the St. Paul Press:

I observed that arrangements are in contemplation to purchase sufficient ground for the burial of the slain at Gettysburg, near Harrisburg, Pa. I cordially offer for this purpose, free of expense, a full lot enclosed with iron railing in the Mt. Kalma Cemetery, at Harrisburg; and will be gratified to furnish the proper permit, to the friends of any of the dead of the First Minnesota Regiment. STEPHEN MILLER.

John Morgan threatened to cross the Ohio at Wheeling. Both Houses of the Legislature of West Virginia adjourned, organized the members into companies, elected officers, shouldered their muskets, and waited for the enemy. They would have passed a special act for John Morgan's discharge from further earthly libilities, had he gone that way.

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NEW ENGLAND HOTEL RE-OPENED.

CHAS. DAMEREL,

Having leased the above property, has thoroughly cleaned and refurnished the above old established hotel at Hastings, and is ready to do all in his power to conduce to the comfort and satisfaction of the traveling community, and solicits a share of public patronage.

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which he will finish to order in the most approved styles and for the lowest cash price. Parties wishing to purchase will do well to wait till my agent comes around or to write to me, before purchasing elsewhere. C. J. ALDRACH.

Shop opposite the court-house, Winona, Minn. 18-tf

TAX SALE.—NOTICE IS HEREBY given that the tax sale of lands and lots in Dakota County advertised for January, 1863, at the office of the county auditor, under the act of March 11th, 1862, having been adjourned from time to time now stands adjourned to Friday, Sept. 4th, 1863, at the same place, at 10 o'clock A. M., at which time the sale will be concluded. The commissioners have authorized the sale of all city and town lots for what shall be bid, for the taxes for 1857, 1858, and 1859, without regard to the amount of taxes for those years, but requiring the full payment of all subsequent taxes. Under this license most of Lewiston, Dakota, and Marshall's Addition, and Bazillee & Robert's Addition to West St. Paul, and many other lots, have been bid in by different persons, but not yet paid for. All lands and lots that have been bid in and not paid for on that day will be marked forfeited, and with all other lands and lots advertised and not sold will be offered for sale on the same terms as heretofore, for the last time under that advertisement.

Hastings, Minn., Aug. 3, 1863.
18-1w L. SMITH, Auditor of Dakota Co.

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JEWELRY.—ANDREWS has not yet disposed of his heavy stock of watches and jewelry, but there is still chance to make a good bargain. Try it and see.

DRAPER & BALLARD have received a lot of new goods within the past few days, among which we notice another crate that superior crockery.

TRIAL.—The farcical trial of A. M. HAYES, esq., our provost marshal, for doing his duty in assisting to take the enrollment in St. Paul is fixed to come off on Saturday next, August 15th.

CLOTHING.—Call at PRATT'S and order a superb fall suit made up in the best of style and from the best of material. This is the place to do it and no mistake.

RAIN.—The heavy showers of the past few days are very nice and cooling, but of little benefit to the farmers or to their harvest fields. Considerable loss of time is occasioned, but we hope no other damage will be done.

THANKSGIVING DAY.—This day was generally observed by our citizens, most of the stores and business places being closed a greater portion of the time. Riding and chicken hunting seemed to predominate.

MARBLE WORKS.—See advertisement in another column. Mr. ALDRACH has the reputation of being the best in the state, and persons wishing anything in his line would do well to make application at Winona.

NEWMAN is making preparations for removing into his new building, which will be completed about the 15th inst., at which place he expects to be able to exhibit one of the finest stocks of dry goods ever brought into this market.

"There is a dignity in the use of the quill which Mr. TODD well understands, and we are proud of the wisdom, tact, consistency, and power with which he uses it."—*Independent, 6th inst.*

Thank you, Mr STEBBINS. We really wish we could conscientously return the compliment.

RIVER MATTERS.—The river is rising slowly, being six to eight inches above low water mark. The recent heavy rains will no doubt increase the stage of water materially.

The light draught *Cutter* has been placed on the La Crosse line, and will run with the *Ariel* to connect with the larger boats below, leaving St. Paul at 9 o'clock, A. M.

The *Ada Hine* connects with the Prairie du Chien boats at Prescott leaving St. Paul every evening at half past six o'clock.

THE FRANKLIN SOCIETY.—The first regular meeting of this society since the adjournment was held on Wednesday evening last at Twitchell's school house. The attendance was very good considering the short notice given. The following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

President,—D. E. SYME.
Vice President,—J. H. ETHERIDGE.
Cor. Sec.,—R. W. MONTGOMERY.
Recording Sec.,—R. W. O'BRIEN.
Treasurer,—R. H. CALEFF.
Marshal,—C. B. MARSHALL.

The members of this club propose to make the Franklin Society the best in the state, and they invite all who are interested in this branch of education to unite with them in creating a literary club which shall do honor, not to Hastings alone, but to the whole state. The next regular meeting of the society will be held this evening, Aug. 11th, at the school house. Let there be a full attendance.

PREMATURE.—We were both surprised and indignant on perusing the following item from the *North-Western Democrat:* surprised, because it was the first intimation we had received of the event said to be so near at hand, and indignant because it *was* the first. Being booked as one of the principals in the affair, whether we will or no, we claim that we should have been informed sooner and in a less public manner. The article gives no particulars, for which we are now anxiously and breathlessly awaiting:

TO BE MARRIED.—While on a visit to Prescott, a few days since, we were informed that our friend Todd, of the *Conserver*, has come to the conclusion "that it is not good to be alone," and has concluded to take unto himself a wife. We hope that the report is true, and we envy the young man his good fortune. There is to be no cards, but smoked shoulders in abundance. May fortune smile on you, brother Todd, in your attempt to follow the instructions of the good book, "to increase and multiply."

Upon reflection we have come to the conclusion that it is a deliberate and malicious attempt to injure our prospects among the fair sex of Hastings, and we have half a mind to arraign the editor of the *Democrat* for slander. But one course is left open, and to which we betake ourself: we appeal to the ladies.

THE HUNT AND SUPPER.—The severe rain storm on Tuesday last, the day fixed for the first irregular hunt of the Sporting Club, completely spoiled the sport, and the hunters returned, thoroughly drenched, and bringing game to the amount of dozens where it otherwise would have been hundreds. The count was small, and decided in favor of the side headed by T. R. HUDDLESTON, esq.

But ye elements conspired not against the supper on the following night, given by the losing side, which was truly worthy of the occasion. Mr. WHITE, the gentlemanly proprietor of the Tremont House, spared no pains to provide for the creature wants of the guests, and to say that the tables were loaded with delicacies would hardly be expressive. Every thing passed off in the most harmonious manner, and we parted at a late hour in the best of humor, and of the general opinion that the Sporting Club was a big thing, and that WHITE was a trump.

The first regular hunt of the club comes off on the 15th inst., at which time we expect to see the fruits of some of the tallest hunting ever witnessed before in Dakota County. The gunner bringing in the largest amount of game is entitled to the captaincy for six months. Hence the preparations. Some persons maliciously hint that ice-houses are in good demand just at present, and that several individuals have already a big count and, if the match was postponed several days, would be sure of winning.

LOCAL ITEMS.—It is generally understood that we devote several columns weekly to local affairs, which we endeavor to render as complete as possible, believing home matters to be of paramount interest and importance to our citizens. Of late the *Independent*, of this city, has made liberal extracts therefrom, to which we hav n't the slightest objection, provided the customary credit is given. We do not think it necessary, however, to accompany them with explanatory remarks, as all of its readers may not happen to be as obtuse as the editor of the aforesaid sheet, and the space the comments occupy might be filled to better advantage. It reminds us of a little anecdote: A certain Scottish D. D., whose name has escaped us, wrote a series of notes, very learned and scholastic, on Pilgrim's Progress. After its publication he presented a copy to a worthy but illiterate family, intimate friends of his, for perusal. In the course of a few weeks he visited them again, and very naturally inquired how they liked his book. "O, they were delighted with it! Such clean, nice print! And they understood it so perfectly—*all except the notes!*"

We have hitherto been of the opinion that our items, in the main, were rendered intelligible to the generality of readers; nevertheless, should any one desire further information they can be accommodated by calling at our office at any time during business hours, as we prefer making all needful explanations ourself.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.—Council met August 7th, present Alds. Schaller, Rhese, and Acting Mayor Taylor.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved. The letter of Mrs. McKenny asking aid from the city was read, and on motion of Ald. Rhese a committee of two were appointed to investigate the matter. The following alderman were appointed as such committee: Rhese and Scheller, with instructions to report to the council.

The bill of D. F. Langley for services as city assessor, for $51 80, was allowed by a unanimous vote of the council.

The bill of F. J. Mead for printing, amounting to $24 50, was on motion of Ald. Rhese referred to the committee on finance.

The time having come for letting and receiving bids for the building of side walks in front of all lots fronting on Third Street, on south side of said Third Street in block 21, upon which the side walk was not built commencing at Vermillion Street and running west across said block 21, and also on lots 2, 3, and 4 in block 23 and lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 in block 24 on south side of Third Street.

The contract for building the side walks on the aforementioned lots and blocks was awarded to White and Lee at the following prices; All that part of unfinished side walk in block 21, on south side of Third Street in the city of Hastings, at 37 cents per foot, and for constructing side walk on south side of Third Street, in front of lots 2, 3, and 4 in block 23, at 35 cents per foot, also for building sidewalk in front of lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 in block 24 on south side of Third Street, at 78 cents per foot. All of the above mentioned side walks to be four feet wide, and all crossings of streets and alleys to be four feet wide with a sloping plank on each side. All to be built in good substantial manner and in the usual manner of building side walks in the city of Hastings, subject to the inspection and reception of a committee appointed by the city council to receive the same.

John White, school treasurer, made application to the council for all school money in the city treasurer's hands belonging to the district, and on motion of Ald. Rhese the city clerk was instructed to draw an order on the city treasurer for all delinquent school tax now in his hands, and deliver said order to school treasurer.

On motion council adjourned till Friday evening, Aug. 14th, at 7 o'clock.

G. S. WHITMAN, clerk.

READERS, STOP AND THINK.—We suppose the most of our readers buy and use D. B. DE LAND & Co.'s Chemical Saleratus, but if there are any of you who do not, just stop and think that impure saleratus is very detrimental to the health of yourself and family, while the chemical saleratus is as pure as snow, and is therefore perfectly healthy. It is manufactured at Fairport, Monroe Co., N. Y., and for sale by most merchants and grocers in the country.

DIED.

In this city, August 4th, 1863, NELLIE LOUISE, daughter of N. C. and A. M. DRAPER, aged 11 months.

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THE CONSERVER

BY IRVING TODD.

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Republican Union Convention.

The republicans and all other unconditional union men throughout the state of Minnesota, who are earnest and honest supporters of the administration, and who will stand by it without fear or favor in all its efforts to crush rebellion and maintain the Union, and who desire to see no cessation of hostilities until the glorious old flag of our country shall wave over an united republic, "without a stripe erased or polluted, or a single star obscured," and all, in fine, who are uncompromisingly hostile to traitors, whether open-armed rebels in the South, or covert advocates in the North of a damaging and humiliating peace, will assemble in convention at St. Paul, at Ingersoll's Hall, on Wednesday, August 19, 1863, at 11 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of nominating candidates for the following offices:—

Governor.
Lieutenant Governor.
Secretary of State,
State Treasurer.
Attorney General,
Auditor of State,
Clerk of the Supreme Court.

The different counties will be entitled to be represented in the Convention by delegates, who are *bona fide* residents of the counties from which they are accredited, as follows:

Anoka	2	
Benton	2	
Blue Earth	4	
Brown	2	
Carver	3	
Chisago	2	
Dakota	7	
Dodge	3	
Faribault	1	
Fillmore	9	
Freeborne	3	
Hennepin	8	
Isanti	1	
Goodhue	6	
Houston	5	
Le Sueur	4	
McLeod	1	
Meeker	1	
Mille Lac	1	
Morrison	1	
Mower	2	
Nicollet	4	
Olmsted	2	
Pine	2	
Ramsey	2	
Renville	3	
Rice	5	
Scott	5	
Sherburne	1	
Sibley	3	
Stearns	3	
Steele	2	
St. Louis	1	
Wabashaw	5	
Winona	6	
Waseca	1	
Wright	3	
Washington	4	

No delegates will be admitted from unorganized or uninhabited counties, not enumerated above.

By order of the Republican Central Committee.

ROBT. F FISK, Ch'n.
WILFORD L. WILSON,
ANDREW NESSEL,
D. BLAKELY,
U. B. GILFILLAN,
BENJ F. SMITH.

ST. PAUL, July 8, 1863.

County Convention.

The republicans of Dakota Co. and all who support the National Administration and are in favor of an earnest prosecution of the war, are hereby requested to elect delegates in the several towns in the county to represent them in a County Convention to be holden in Teutonia Hall in the city of Hastings, on Saturday, the 15th day of August, 1863, at 1 o'clock P. M., to elect seven delegates to attend the Republican Union Convention to be holden in St. Paul on the 19th day of August aforesaid.

The different towns will be entitled to a representation by delegates who are bona fide residents of the town from which they are accredited as follows:

Hastings 7; Ravenna 2; Nininger 3; Inver Grove 4; West St. Paul 5; Mendota 3; Eagan 3; Rosemount 3; Burnsville 3; Lakeville 3; Eureka 3; Empire City 2; Sciota 2; Waterford 2; Green Vale 2; Castle Rock 2; Lebenon 2; Marshan 2; Randolph 2; Douglass 1; Vermillion 2; Hampton 3.

The citizens of each town will meet at the place of holding the last township election on Thursday, August 13th, at 8 o'clock P. M., unless otherwise ordered by the town committee.

Per order of Republican Co. Committee.
Hastings, July 21, 1863.

Horrible Discovery at Vicksburg.

A Vicksburg correspondent writes:

"A horrible discovery has just been made on the rebel line of fortifications. Quite a number of men have been engaged in repairing the rebel fort that was blown up on the night of the 3d inst. In the course of their operations they have exhumed sixty or eighty dead bodies found buried in the ruins of the fort. It seems that while our miners were at work making an entry into the side of the hill that was crowned by the rebel fort, a strong working party of rebels were set to work sinking a counter mine within the fort. This party consisting, it is said, of more than a hundred men, were in the mine when ours exploded, and those of them who were not killed outright were buried alive. Some of the exhumed bodies are terribly lacerated and mangled, while others have not a mark or bruise upon them. Two heads, one that of a negro, have been dug up. They were completely severed from the bodies, the latter not having yet been found. The bodies are found in almost every conceivable position—some standing erect, others sitting or lying, and in one instance the body was head downwards as if it had been caught in that position by the crumbling earth while falling in the pit below."

GOSSIPERS.—The common fluency of speech in many men, and most women, is owing to a scarcity of matter and a scarcity of words; for whoever is master of a language has a mind full of ideas, and will be apt in speaking to hesitate upon choice of both; whereas, common speakers have only one set of words to clothe them in, and these are always ready at the mouth; so people can come faster out of a church when it is almost empty than when a crowd is at the door.—*Swift*.

The Athens County (Ohio) *True Democrat* says it is in possession of indisputable proof, which it cannot probably make public use of, that Vallandigham "is a rebel at heart, and would now be in the council chamber or army of the Southern Confederacy, but that he can be more serviceable to that cause by remaining in the North. We would rather melt our types for bullets and our press into cannon balls to fire at the rebels than to use them to promote his election."

The Merchant's Courtship.

A merchant, originally from Liverpool, having acquired a large fortune in one of the West India Islands, considered that he could not be happy with it unless he shared it with some woman of merit; and knowing none to his fancy, he wrote to a worthy correspondent of his in Liverpool to procure a "helpmete for him." He was not acquainted with any style except in business; therefore, treating affairs of love as matters of merchandise, after giving his friend several commissions, and reserving this for the last he concluded thus: Seeing that I have taken a resolution to marry, and that I do not find a suitable match for me here, do not not fail to send by the next ship bound hither, a young woman of form and qualifications as follows: As to portion, I demand none; let her be of an honest family, between twenty and twenty-five years of age, of a middle stature, and well proportioned; her face agreeable, her health good, and her constitution strong enough to bear the change of climate, that there may be no occasion to look after the second, through loss of the first soon after she comes to hand, which must be provided against as much as may be, considering the dangers of the sea. If she arrive here conditioned as above said, with the present letter endorsed by you, or at least a true copy thereof, that there may be no mistake or imposition, I hereby engage and bind myself to satisfy the said letter, by marrying the bearer at fifteen days sight. In witness thereof, I subscribe myself, etc."

The correspondent read over and over this odd article, which put the future spouse on the same footing with a bale of goods he was to send to his friend, and after admitting the prudent exactness of the West Indian (whose ingenuousness he well knew) and his laconic style in enumerating qualifications he insisted on, he endeavoring to serve him to his mind; and after many inquires, he judged he had found a lady fit for his purpose—of reputable family, but of slender fortune; of good temper and polite education; well-shaped and more than commonly beautiful. He made the proposal to her, and the young woman, whose dependence was chiefly on a cross old aunt, with whom she lived in a state of uneasiness, accepted it.

A ship bound for the West Indies was that week fitting out at Liverpool. The young woman, together with the bale of goods, was put on board being well provided with necessaries, and particularly with a certificate in due form, and endorsed by the correspondent.

She was also included in the invoice, the last article of which ran thus: Item. A young gentlewoman of 24 years of age, quality, shape, conditioned as per order, as appears from the certificate and affidavit she has produced.

The writings that were thought necessarily for so exact a man as her future husband were an extract from the parish register, a certificate of her character attested by the clergyman, an attestation by her neighbors, setting forth that she had lived three years with an old aunt, who was intolerably peevish, and had during that time given the said aunt the least cause of complaint; and lastly, goodness of constitution was attested by four physicians.

Before the gentlewoman's departure the correspondent sent letters of advice by other ships to his friend, informing him that by such a ship he should send a woman of such an age, character, condition, etc.; in a word, such as he himself had requested to be sent.

The letters of advice, the bales, and the young woman, got safely into port, and the West Indian, who was one of the foremost on the pier at the landing, was charmed to see so handsome and interesting a female, more especially when she approached him in the most graceful and modest manner, and said:

"Sir, I have a bill of exchange upon you, you will be pleased to honor it."

At the same time she delivered his correspondent's, on reading which, he exclaimed: "Ah, madam, I never yet suffered my bills to be protested, and I assure you this shall not be the first."

This interview was, in a few days, followed by the nuptials, which was very magnificent, and the new married couple were well satisfied with the happy union, negotiated by a bill of exchange.

How to Prosper in Business.

In the first place make up your mind to accomplish whatever you undertake; decide upon some particular employment and persevere upon it.

All difficulties are overcome by diligence and assiduity.

Be not afraid to work with your hands, and diligently too. "A cat in gloves catches no mice."

He who remains in the mill grinds—not he who goes and comes.

Attend to your business; never trust it to any one else.

"A pot that belongs to too many is ill stirred and worse boiled."

Be frugal. "That which will not make a pot will make a pot lid."

"Save the pence and the pounds will take care of themselves."

Be abstemious. "Who dainties love shall beggars prove."

Rise early. "The sleeping fox catches no poultry."

The editor of the Fulton *Republican*, at McConnallsburg, says that while the rebels occupied that town, his office was pointed out to them by the copperheads as an abolition concern. Several of the officers called upon him, and asked to see his files. After examining them, the lieutenant in command said: "I see, sir, this is a republican newspaper; you advocate a vigorous prosecution of the war, and are in favor of sustaining your government in everything. *I like to see a man one way or the other.*" Taking several copies of the paper, they left without molesting anything in the office, to the great indignation of the copperheads of that place.

GAME FOR LITTLE FOLKS.—The *American Agriculturist* thus describes a game that used to afford "us children" much mirth; One of the party being provided with slate and pencil, calls on each of the others in turn to name some descriptive adjective, as good, pretty, ugly, long, short, etc. These are written in a column at the left of the slate. The writer then places his pencil opposite one of the words, and call for the name of one of the party, which being given, it is written next to the adjective, and then the names of the whole company are written in turn, each opposite the adjective which comes in the order of the list. The writer now commences at some other part of the list, and each of the company names some locality, as "on the house," under the barn," "in the woods," etc., and these are added, one to each name. In the same manner some act is written, to complete the sentences, as "hauling saw-logs," "sleeping soundly," "shelling corn," etc. When all is completed, the sentences are read aloud. The ludicrous situations described will often cause great merriment. Thus it may happen that "Sweet Susan was before the looking-glass, making faces;" or that "Slow John was on the railroad, running a race with the engine;" or that "Long John was hunting the rebels in a wash tub." Of course, much fun will depend on keeping the sentences secret till all are read.

AGE AND WISDOM.—"People always fancy," said Goethe, laughing, "that we must become old to become wise; but, in truth, as years advance, it is hard to keep ourselves as wise as we were. Man becomes, indeed, in the different stages of his life, a different being; but he cannot say that he is a better one, and, in certain matters, he is as likely to be right in his twentieth as in his sixtieth year. We see the world one way from a plain, another way from the heights of a prometory, another from the glacier fields of the primary mountains. We see, from one of these points, a larger piece of world than from the other; but that is all, and we cannot say that we see more truly from any one than from the rest. When a writer leaves monuments on the different steps of his life, it is chiefly important that he should have an innate foundation and good will; that he should, at each step, have seen and felt clearly, and that without any secondary aims he should have said distinctly and truly what has passed in his mind. Then will his writings, if they were right at the step where they originated, remain always right, however the writer may develop or alter himself at after times."—*Goethe's Conversation with Eckermann.*

HOME TYRANTS.—For his rule over his family, and for his conduct to his wife and children, subjects over whom his power is monarchial, any one who watches the world must think with trembling of the account which many a man will have to render. For in our society there is no law to control the king of the fireside. He is master of property, happiness, life almost. He is free to punish, to make happy or unhappy, to ruin or torture. He may kill a wife gradually, and be no more questioned than the grand seignor who drowns a slave at midnight. He may make slaves and hypocrites of his children, or friends and freemen; or drive them into revolt or enmity against the natural law of love. I have heard politicians and coffee house wiseacres talking over the newspapers, and railing at the tyranny of the emperor, and wondered how these, who are monarchs, too, in their way, govern their own dominions at home, where each man rules absolute. When the annals of each little reign are shown to the Supreme Master under whom we hold sovereignty, historians will be laid bare of household tyrants cruel as Amurah, savage as Nero, and reckless and dissolute as Charles.—*Thackeray.*

A GRACEFUL COMPLIMENT TO A WIFE.—The following neat and beautiful reply was made by the late Daniel O'Connell, in a response to a toast given in compliment to his wife, who was the object of his long and affectionate attachment. It was given at a political meeting. The English language could furnish nothing more touchingly tender and graceful:

"There are some topics of so sacred and sweet a nature, that they may be comprehended by those who are happy, but they cannot be possibly described by any human being. All that I shall do is to thank you in the name of her who was the disinterested choice of my early youth; who was the ever cheerful companion of my manly years; and who is the sweetest solace of that 'sear and yellow leaf' age at which I have arrived. In her name I thank you; and this you may readily believe; for experience, I think, will show to us all that man cannot battle and struggle with the malignant enemies, unless his nest at home is warm and comfortable—unless the honey of human life is commended by a hand that he loves."

THE TRUE PHYSICIAN.—To the true physician there is an inexpressible sanctity in the sick chamber. At its threshold the mere human passions quit their hold on his heart. Love there would be profanation. Even the grief permitted to others must be put aside. He must enter that room a common intelligence. He is disabled for his mission if he suffer aught to obscure the keen, quiet glance of his science. Age or youth, beauty or deformity, innocence or guilt, merge their distinction in one common attribute—human suffering appealing to human skill. Woe to the household in which the trusted healer feels not on his conscience the solemn obligations of his glorious art.—*Sir E. Bulwer Lytton.*

AGRICULTURAL.

Sheep Husbandry.

In order to secure first class wool, sheep should always be kept in an improving condition. It is an established principle in animal economy that those who take the best care of stock, no matter what kind it is—horses, cattle, hogs, or what not—universally secure the largest profits, and to no class of stock does this principal apply more strongly than to sheep. In this lies the superiority of the English wether. It is always kept in an improving condition, fattening for the market, and never allowed, if by any means it can be prevented, to lose flesh. It is almost impossible to keep up the condition of ewes. Their health will be variable, and their fleece equally so—stinted in growth—bottom cotted, or felted, with a weak place in the staple, which grew when the sheep were out of condition.

As we have before said, the "Leicester" and the "Cotswold" are the breeds best adapted for producing the wool most required at the present time. Their carcasses are large, and the wool of long staple, which renders them more valuable both for the fleece and mutton. Let the farmer bear in mind, however, that it is the yearlings and the wethers that will bear him the greatest profit. The wethers, if well cared for, will be very large, producing heavy fleeces, and making as the famous "Southdowns" of England. We saw a notice in one of the daily papers, but a few days since, of five wethers having been sold in this market for fifty-five dollars, and of twenty-one wethers for two hundred and thirty-one dollars. Many of the farmers in our country, after securing a good flock of sheep, allow them rapidly to degenerate by breeding in, and by disposing of the lambs and keeping their old ewes. This is more frequently the case where farmers have a good market for lambs.

It will be well to bear in mind that the fleece of a sheep deteriorates every year, and the wool from ewes, with two lambs, is scarcely worth half as much as the fleece from a yearling or wether. Fleeces from a yearling wether have frequently been sold in England for as much as two lambs from an ewe, together with her fleece, while the wether had greatly increased in value during the year, while the ewe had decreased. Ewes should be kept until two years, before coming in with lambs. The increased weight of wool, the increased size of the ewe and lamb, and their improved condition will more than compensate for a year's patient waiting. Breeding from too young deteriorates as much as breeding from too old. To keep a flock in a thriving condition no old ewes should be kept, and the rams should be changed often, taking care, in all cases, to obtain them from some other flock, and to breed from no ewes less than two years old. The fleeces will be larger, the wool better, and will consequently bring a better price. Wool adapted to the production of worsted will hereafter command a higher price than any other, as we have the strongest assurance, from parties well informed upon the subject, that the manufacture of worsted goods will at once be commenced in several parts of New England upon a large scale, and with skill and capital, which will, it is confidently believed, insure success.—*U. S. Economist.*

ADVICE TO THE SONS OF FARMERS.—It is point of wisdom that persons possessing scanty means only, either adopt experiments that have been proved by others, to the making of them on their own account; or, if not favored by the example of those around, more wealthy or more venturesome than themselves, to make them on a limited scale only. The adaptation to agriculture, of new processes, takes much time as well as money, and if found, in the end, not to meet expectation, the moral influence is unfavorable. Prejudices will be likely to arise against all attempts for improvement. The labor of reform is retarded, so that what might have been anticipated in the present generation, must be deferred to the next. Habitual reading, too, and study, are not to be expected in those who have spent half of life strangers to the advantages of education. To them, literature presents no more charms than do the colors of the rainbow to the man born blind.

SIGNS OF A PROSPEOUS FARMER.—1. When a farmer is seen marrying young, it shows that Providence helps them that help themselves, and that in future he will have helps of more kind than one.

2. When lights are seen burning in is house before break of day, in winter specially, it shows that the day will never break on his breaking in the winter of adversity.

3. When you see his barn larger than his house, it shows that he will have large profits and small afflictions.

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Hastings, May 14th, 1863. 5-tf

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May 7th, 1863. 4-tf

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1863.

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Daily	50,125
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Home they brought her warrior dead;
She nor swooned, nor uttered cry;
All her maidens, watching said,
"She must weep or she will die."

Then they praised him, soft and low,
Called him worthy to be loved,
Truest friend and noblest foe;
Yet she neither spoke or moved.

Stole a maiden from her place,
Lightly to the warrior stept,
Took a face-cloth from the face—
Yet she neither moved or wept.

Rose a nurse of ninety years,
Set her child upon her knee—
Like summer tempest came her tears—
"Sweet, my child, I live for thee."

ALFRED TENNYSON.

"DRAWN BUTTER."—The Chicago *Post* tells a story of two Chicagoans who attended the recent democratic convention at Springfield, Ill., which is too good to be lost. The gentlemen got disgusted with the capital by nightfall and started to return home in the express train, but were refused permission to do so, as their tickets only entitled them to go on the special excursion train which was to leave Springfield at 11 P. M. Nothing daunted they secreted themselves on the locomotive, and in due time the train moved on. Reaching the first station north of Springfield, two strange looking objects crawled up from the "cow catcher," greatly to the astonishment of the engineer, and made their way over the engine to the baggage car. These two object were two men, one clad in black the other in white, and covered from head to foot with butter. Coats, pantaloons, faces, arms, legs, every part of them was smeared, splashed, daubed, and thoroughly "spread" with butter. No bread was ever more completely buttered. Each carried a pound or two of semi-liquid butter in his hair.

Upon inquiring it appeared that the "cow catcher," upon which the anxious Chicagoans had perched themselves, had struck a crock of butter (which probably had fallen from some farmer's or grocer's wagon upon the track.) The crock, of course, was instantly demolished, and the butter, melted to a thin paste by the sun's heat, was splashed over the two men who had chosen that dangerous mode of evading the conductor's order. They were solemnly admonished by the engineer of the danger they had escaped, and were left to divest themselves as best they could of their external coating of butter.

The Okolrona (Miss) *News* tells us the following story:

Old. P. is well known in some parts as one who never pays a debt if it can can be avoided. He has plenty of money, however, and is a jolly, frolicking old chap, gets drunk occasionally, when of course some friends take care of him. A few days since he fell into the hands of a friend who held a note against him for a small sum, and, as it was the last chance, the friend dived into old P.'s wallet, took out the amount of the note, and put the note where the money had been. When he awoke to consciousness, he took out his wallet to count how much money he was out, as was his custom, and finding his purse almost depleted, he thundered out:

"How in thunder did I spend so much money?"

"You paid off that note I held," replied his friend.

"Well," muttered old P., "I must have been very drunk."

A laughable incident is related of a jealous woman, at Lewiston, Me., who went into an auction room the other day, and saw (as she supposed) her husband very familiarly sitting beside a young lady. Stepping up softly, she seized a head in each of her hands and pounded them together a number of times in a great rage. Her surprise may be imagined when she found that the innocent stranger was not her "worser half." She spologized and passed out amid the laughter of the crowd.

WAR TIMES.—As little Annie was running at full speed on the sidewalk she had a fall, and was badly bruised. As she was being undressed for bed she looked pitifully at her numerous bruises, and sorrowfully exclaimed to her mother: "Oh, dear! what dreadful times these war times are!"

A wine merchant having sent a sample of wine to Lord Derby, which he averred was a specific for the gout, subsequently wrote asking for an order. The Earl replied, presenting his compliments to Mr.——etc., and begged to say he had tasted the wine sent, but—*preferred the gout*.

A Canadian at Waterville, Maine, who wished to tell a copperhead what he thought of him, could n't remember the appropriate title and so relieved himself with, "you d—d old one cent!" He hit the value if he did n't the name.

At a printer's festival the following toast was offered: The editor and the lawyer: the devil is satisfied with the copy of the former, but requires the original of the latter.

An Irishman, by way of illustrating the horrors of solitary confinement, stated that out of one hundred persons sentenced to endure this punishment for life only fifteen survived it.

How an old maid always eyes a single gentleman! She looks at him as she would a dog in dog days—wondering whether he intends to bite.

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Hastings, June 9, 1863. 9-tf

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HARDWARE.

Try it and see if you cannot make money at it.

JOHN THOMAS.

Hastings, May 14, 1863. 5-tf

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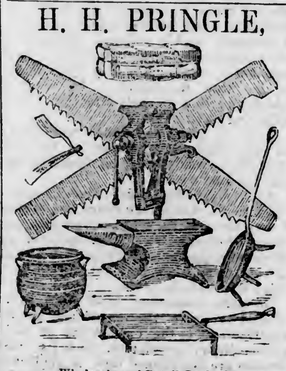

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Hastings, Jan. 1, 1863. 38-tf

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Ex-Senator Rice on the Duty of Democrats.

We find in the *Northern Statesman* (Faribault) the following letter from Hon. H. M. Rice, addressed to some citizens of that place, defining what his position is, and what that of all democrats ought to be, on the war question:

ST. PAUL, July 22, 1863.

Gentlemen:

Illness in my family has prevented me from giving you an earlier acknowledgement of yours of the 9th inst.

I am thankful for the expressions of esteem and regard you were pleased to convey to me.

I am now a private citizen, which position I am determined to occupy.

The thought of acting with any other than the democratic party never entered my head. The whole object of the rebellion is to destroy the principle of democracy. The party which stands by the Government is the true democracy. Every soldier in the army is a true democrat. Every man who lifts his head above party trammels is a democrat, and every man who permits old issues to stand in the way of a vigorous prosecution of the war, cannot in my opinion have any claims on the party. If the city was on fire would you call upon any particular party to extinguish the flames? Or would you stop to examine its charter for fear that you might violate some of its provisions by taking water from your neighbor's well?

Should disaster befall our country in its struggle for life, true democrats cannot be blamed. Those who have the power and do not use it to its fullest extent, and those who are wasting their time and distracting the people by their idle discussions, will occupy no enviable position hereafter, Union or no Union.

I am for regaining and retaining every foot of soil we ever possessed without any compromise whatever.

England, France, and perhaps other countries that exist by oppressing the people, are anxious that we should fail. Great Britain, with Canada on our north, France in full possession of Mexico, were we united, would prove formidable adversaries.

It is undoubtedly their policy to encourage the present war, and to increase dissensions among ourselves until the North and the South shall be reduced to the lowest point of exhaustion, then recognized the independence of the latter, at which time the North will be too much weakened to resist. Anarchy and ruin will follow. The descendants of the great and good men of the revolution will be without peaceful homes, and those from foreign lands who have chosen this because it was free, will find the tyrant's rod substituted for the flag that allured them to this then happy country. If I have erred and am still in the wrong, my judgment alone has gone astray. Time will determine whether I have been true to the Union, to Minnesota, its people and the democratic party or not. May God save the Liberties of America.

With great respect, your obd't serv't,
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In all countries woman love flowers; in all countries they form nosegays of them; but it is only in the bosom of plenty that they conceive the idea of embellishing their dwellings with them. The cultivation of flowers among the peasantry indicates a revolution in all their feelings. It is a delicate pleasure that makes its way through coarse or gans; it is a creature whose eyes are opened; it is the sense of the beautiful, a faculty of the soul that is awakened; colors, forms, odors are preceived for the first time, and these charming objects have at length spectators. Those who have traveled in the country can testify that a rose tree under the window, a honeysuckle around the door of a cottage, is a good omen to a weary traveler. The hand that cultivates flowers is not closed against the supplications of the poor, nor against the wants of the stranger. Flowers may be called the alphabet of the angels, wherewith they write on hills and plains mysterious truths.

HUMORS OF THE DRAFT.—At the drawing for the draft in New Haven, Conn., on Saturday last, the greatest good humor prevailed. 767 names were drawn, including the mayor of the city, Congressman English, the whole Board of Enrollment, seven post-office officials, nearly half the city police, six employees from the *Courier* newspaper, and a plentiful repesentation from the other local journals. The lucky winners of prizes take the matter pleasantly, mount a red ribbon in their buttonholes, and affect to look down on those who drew blanks. A scarled ribbon, with the word "conscript" embroidered on it, is much coveted, and the wearers are regarded with envy. Very few Irishmen have been drawn, though their names were inscribed in the wheel of fortune in the usual proportion.

Since that mob saluted Gen. McClellan at his own door, in New York, with this unwholesome greeting—"Three cheers for Jeff Davis and Little Mac!" his most devoted friends have hardly mentioned his name. Mobs sometimes kill by kindness as well as by blows; and if "Little Mac" were not dead before, this mob would have given him a *coup de main*.

Ideas are customers; you must wait on them as soon as they come, or they will be gone to your rival, who will. However we may differ concerning the fugitive slave bill, let us be unanimously for a fugitive thought bill. Hurrah for a bill to detect, apprehend, and hold in custody runaway thoughts. Seize, then, the fugitives; chain them in a coffle.

A few days since we alluded to a suggestion which had been made with reference to the propriety of erecting a monument in Woodlawn Cemetery to the memory of the brave soldiers from Winona County who have yielded up their lives in the service and behalf of their country. In pursuance of that suggestion, and at the request of some of our citizens, a plan for a monument has been drafted by Mr. C. J. Aldrach, proprietor of the Winona Marble Works. This plan contemplates a monument of sufficient size to contain at least one hundred inscriptions, in legible form, together with the appropriate emblems, state and national coats of arms, etc. In height it is designed for 18½ feet above the foundation, and to contain seven separate blocks of marble and granite, the whole weighing nine tons and a half. The estimate cost of this monument is $2000, and if ordered, it will be executed and ready for delivery by the 1st of January next. Many of our citizens take a warm interest in this project, as no doubt all will when the matter is presented to them in a tangible form. There is scarcely a man in Winona County who will not cheerfully contribute something towards this object. In order to place it upon a proper footing a committee of energetic men should at once be appointed to solicit subscriptions. The plan for a monument, above alluded to, is a very handsome one, yet a different one might possibly be suggested and give equal and perhaps better satisfaction. This, however, might be left to the discretion of a separate committee. The work can be done here in a style equal to any that can be procured in the West, and in accordance with any plan that may be adopted. We would add that persons desirous of seeing the sketch drawn by Mr. Aldrach can be gratified by calling at the county treasurer's office.—*Republican*.

A SLAVE.—We take the following from the Vicksburg correspondence of the Missouri *Democrat:*

I will relate an incident, which occurred this morning, at the expense of a gallant young soldier. He was prospecting around town, when his attention was attracted to a stable of very fine horses. While admiring their fine points, he was surprised by the appearance of a very fascinating young lady, as she emerged from another apartment of the horse house, and bowed politely, and smiled killingly upon him. He stammered out something like an apology for his seeming intrusion, mixed up the words "proclamation" and "confiscation," &c., and ended by asking who was owner of the place?

"Dr. Neely," replied the lady.

"And you—you are his wife?" said the soldier, doubtfully.

"No," said the lady.

"Then his daughter?"—this was said very smilingly.

"No"

"His niece, perhaps?"—endearingly.

"No; no relation, that I know of."

"Then a lady friend, on a visit?"—puzzlingly.

"No, not that, either."

"Well, then, may I be permitted to ask who you are?"

"Certainy," replied the lady, who had enjoyed the soldiers's discomfiture with a piquant relish. "I am his slave."

The soldier gave one long, last, lingering look, and with a low whistle, departed.

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Q. Why?

A. Because the Confederate Government did not designate a moderate amount, the payment of which should exempt any person drafted.

Q. How much, at present, would a man drafted at the North have to pay for a substitute?

A. About $600 to $700.

Q. How do you know this?

A. From the fact that the Government now offers $452 bounty, and still fails to procure soldiers sufficient at that rate.

Q. How much does a drafted man gain by this arrangement?

A. $300 to $400.

Q. Who is the loser in this business?

A. The Government.

Q. Who makes up the loss to the Government?

A. The tax payers—the rich people.

Q. Who, then, should grumble?

A. Not the poor people.

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Pine Bend, July 25, 1863. 16–tf

DISTRICT COURT, DAKOTA COUNty.—ss. (Revenue Stamp.)

Victoria Tripp *against* Amanzel D. Tripp. Summons for relief.

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You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, of which a copy is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscribers at their office in the city of Hastings, county of Dakota and state of Minnesota, within ninety days after service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said comp int within the time aforesaid the plaintiff in this action will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

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O. L. HOSMER.

Lakeville, July 24th, 1863. 16–3w*

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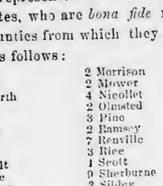

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Dodge	3	Rice 5
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Fillmore	0	Sherburne 1
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ST. PAUL, July 8, 1863.

The Union Convention.

To-morrow the republican union state convention meets in St. Paul to put in nomination candidates for state officers to be supported at the ensuing election. To the delegates who may compose that august body we would say a few words.

Never before since the organization of our state government have the issues been so well defined or a greater need existed for good, reliable men at the head of affairs. We must have for governor a man who upholds the national administration, and who will do his utmost to aid it in the carrying out of its plans and intentions. Otherwise we inevitably sink into the unhappy condition of New York, under the control of that arch-traitor Seymour. We can plainly see all the consequences there, and they would prove no less fatal to good order and prosperity here. To avoid this we must nominate the right man. Weeks ago we suggested Col. Miller as such a one, and still believe that we could do no better than to adopt him as our standard bearer. Others may think differently. We shall be content to abide by the decision of the majority, and cheerfully support the nominee of the convention, if he be worthy.

For the other offices there are, as usual, a number of candidates suggested. So far as we know of now, we have little choice, only so that the best men may be selected, men that will do credit to themselves and the commonwealth.

We sincerely hope, reasonably enough from the nature of the call made by the central committee, that a broad and liberal platform will be adopted, one that all unconditional union men can place themselves upon, and work together for the same object—the preservation of our government from the evil designs of bad and treacherous men. Whether the word republican be omitted is of little moment, so that the principles be right and just.

Gentlemen of the convention, give us a ticket composed of honest, straightforward men, and we will elect them by large and overwhelming majorities. Shall Minnesota falter, when Kentucky has acquitted herself so nobly? Never will defend, preserve, and perpetuate the Union and Freedom their sires established and secured.

We are no native of Massachusetts, and if we were we should volunteer no defense against such puerile malignity, and though as a citizen of the United States, proud of our part proprietorship of Plymouth Rock, proud of the noble efforts and patriotism of Massachusetts in our Revolutionary struggle, proud of the intelligence, patriotism, and energy of our Massachusetts fellow citizens, in their efforts to crush the rebellion, and much as we regret the disgrace the silly, childish puerility of the editor of the copperhead organ at Hastings might bring upon the editorial fraternity of the state, if it circulated outside the town in which it is published. We do not mention the matter to defend Massachusetts, but merely to call the attention of the people to the one important fact that the copperheads' organ at Hastings frankly declares copperheads of Minnesota have nothing in common with loyal Massachusetts—save, perhaps, with the Boston mob—prefer being classed with rebellious South Carolina—the hot-bed of tories in the Revolution, the head and front of rebellion now—and would prefer the state of Minnesota should be so classed, than with the loyal state of Massachusetts—that copperheads prefer to be classed with the most ignorant, degraded, heathenish and barbarous portions of the world, to being classed with one of the most enlightened, intelligent, loyal and patriotic state of the Union. The people of Massachusetts will not object to the propriety of the classification—Copperheads with rebels and barbarians, is all proper and right. This distinct enunciation of preference by the Hastings organ of the copperheads will certainly be appreciated, and no loyal man in Massachusetts, Minnesota, or the Union, will question its propriety. That the rebels of South Carolina and the heathen of Africa are worthy to associate with Minnesota copperheads, we have now the testimony of a copperhead editor, and no loyal man will ever question his veracity on that point.

Verily there's no accounting for tastes, and a man of very small calibre can make a very great ass of himself without any great violation of the law.

An amusing habeas corpus case came off, the other day, in Portland Me., in the U. S. District Court, before Judge Ware. One Davis, of Augusta, was brought up by the action of that writ, and his discharge from enlistment in the United States service was prayed for by his mother, on the ground that he was not eighteen years of age. Davis is a [illegible] Augusta, the superintendant of which fell under the draft and agreed to give Davis $325 upon his being passed and accepted as a substitute for him. Davis was examined and passed, and the $325 was paid him, which fell into the hands of his mother. She then got out the writ of habeas corpus and at the hearing testified that her son was not quite eighteen years of age. Judge Ware said he must have the proof from the town record, and if it was so, the son would be discharged upon returning the $325 which he received as a substitute. The mother did not see it in that light. She wanted the money and the son too. But the Judge was inexorable. Finally, after some considerable humming and hawing, the mother concluded that, as she had got the $325 and would get $200 more, state and United States bounty, and moreover would receive the monthly pay of her son, she would let him go, as it was more than he could earn at Augusta by his work. She then withdrew her petition, and gave her consent for the enlistment of her son. Nice old lady that; and a shrewd, and a motherly!

Miss Dickenson, the Philadelphia oratress after a few addresses in Connecticut, has gone to the White Mountains, for a month's rest and recuperation. In September and October she is engaged to speak on the Union cause in Pennyslvania, Ohio, and New York, with reference to their fall elections, and late in the autum and in the winter she will probably make a lecturing tour through New England. There is much demand for her addresses and lectures everywhere, and for special occasions of this sort she receives $100—the same fee that Beecher receives for his lectures, and the highest price known in the American market for such commodities. So women can have their "rights," if they can get them.

When you hear people complain because our armies do not move faster, just remind them that we can well afford to wait when we remember that our victories in July amounted to twenty-eight, with eighty thousand prisoners, three hundred guns, and the Mississippi River free once more! Shouldn't the boys have a play spell after such hard work?

Jacob Strawn, the great Illinois farmer of Jacksonville, has collected one hundred cows, donated by himself and neighbors, which are intended for our hospitals at Memphis. The matron of the hospitals asked for these one hundred cows, and one farmer has collected and will forward them.

Another new state will soon come rapping at the door of the union, and demanding admittance. On the 3d of September, the people of Nevada Territory will elect delegates to a constitutional convention, when the machinery for a state government will be put in motion.

Death of Little Crow Confirmed.

By letters and the statement of Wo-wis-nap-a, son of Little Crow, recently captured by our forces, published in the St. Paul papers, the death of this wicked and dangerous man is proved to a certainty. Little Crow was killed near Hutchison on the evening of July 3d by Mr. Lampson and his son Chauncey, while picking berries in the woods. He was buried at the time without being recognized, although well known in that vicinity. The fact of his having withered and deformed arms, and permanent displacement of the bones, was noticed, also his resemblance to the great leader in this as well as in stature; but he was judged to be of lighter complexion.

The *Press* says: "It is worthy of special note as a remarkable fact in itself, and a special instance of poetic justice, that the first scalp upon which the bounty was claimed under the recent order issued by state authority—the first, we believe, ever taken by a white man in this state—was that of the Indian who now turns out to have been Little Crow, who was the leader of the first Indian War we ever had here, and the organizer of the bloody insurrection in which for the first time white men felt the scalping knife of the savage. A more marked instance of providential retribution it would be difficult to find in history."

The Indian Expedition.

Official advices from the expedition state that they have fought three several battles with the Sioux, in each of which the foe was routed with the loss of all their substance, clothing, wagons, etc. Their loss is estimated at one hundred and fifty killed and wounded. Our forces had seven killed. The expedition is returning.

The Democratic Candidates.

We are of the opinion that Hon. H. M. Rice and Hon. C. W. Nash will be respectively the democratic candidates for governor and lieutenant-governor this fall. At least their friends are making every exertion to attain this end. We have no objections—would as soon see these gentlemen run as "any other man." The moist earth is ready to receive them.

Gov. Swift Declines.

Gov. H. A. Swift has officially announced that he will not be a candidate for the union nomination for governor. This is received with regret by his numerous friends, for he is an able man and would have made a strong candidate.

"What They Think of Us."

Our cotemporary of the *North-Western* is evidently meeting with the rubs. Two of our ablest state exchanges have been taking him up for some of his evil doings and sayings, handling him rather hardly. He should not forget the old adage—"He who dances must pay the fiddler."

The *State Atlas* says:

It is just such extracts as the above, published in the New York *Tribune* and then copied into hundreds of unscrupulous sheets throughout the country, that is widening the breech between neighbors and friends, and threatening our land with anarchy.—*N. W. Democrat.*

As the "breech" of the copperhead party appears to be running behind pretty fast since the squelching of the New York riots, we trust our military friend of the *Democrat* wont object to "widening the breeches," to keep pace with it.

We should suppose a "loyal" man like Mead would wish to keep it covered up as much as possible, though it should be at the expense of "widening the breeches."

Brown, of the *Central Republican*, is also after him with a sharp stick. He says:

A VERY SILLY THING.

One of the most miserable silly things we ever saw in a newspaper is the indignant protest of the Lilliputian Webster that presides over the copperheads' organ at Hastings, against the correspondent of the Springfield *Republican*, comparing Minnesota to Massachusetts, or calling our state the Massachusetts of the West.

To attempt any defense of Massachusetts, her noble and patriotic governor and senators, against such puerility, would be an insult to the state, to loyalty and decency. Massachusetts has a record known and read by all men. The patriotism, intelligence, skill, and enterprise in arts, science, and literature, her hightoned morality, christian civilization, love of liberty and humanity, are too well and widely known, and too universally acknowledged to need defense or eulogy. Concord, Lexington, and Bunker Hill are ever-enduring monuments of her patriotism in the Revolutionary struggle, and the crimson current, which her sons have so freely poured from ghastly wounds on every battle field, from Bull Run to Fort Hudson, abundantly proves the present generations are the worthy descendants of their noble ancestors, and

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

P. O. Notice.--Summer Arrangement.
Mail going East closes at 11 o'clock, A.M.
Way mail down closes at 8 o'clock, P. M.
Mail for St. Paul closes on the arrival of the boat from below in the afternoon.
Faribault mail leaves at 6 o'clock A. M., closes at 9 o'clock P. M.
Office hours from 8 A. M. to 8 P. M.
WM. H. SKINNER, Post-Master.

For New Advertisements see fourth page.

ASSIGNED.—We learn that Maj. WM. B. LEACH, of this place, has been ordered to Boston Harbor and placed in charge of the conscripts who are collecting there.

HOT.—The weather has been oppressively hot for the past few days, the thermometer nearly up to 100° and still rising: It is hard on harvest hands.

ANDREWS, on Second Street, is the place to buy watches, clocks, and jewelry at low figures and get good articles. Engraving and repairing done to order, neatly and cheaply. Call and see.

ATTENTION,—Go to MARVIN'S if you want anything in his line—paints, oils, glass, drugs, or medicines—he has the best assortment in town, and sells reasonably as the times will permit.

RETURNED.—We notice that Dr. J. C. PRIDE has returned from the army, looking rather thin and the worse for wear. Also JOSEPH PITCHER, from the 3d Regiment.

CLOTHING.—PRATT has a few more of those cheap summer suits on hand which he is desirous of closing up in time for the fall trade. Now is the chance for bargains.

SATISFIED.—Many housewives who have been using soda for years have become satisfied that De Land & Co.'s Chemical Saleratus is better for all purposes than soda, and therefore cannot be induced to use soda or any other brand of Saleratus.

FANCY DRESS GOODS.—NEWMAN has constantly on hand and is daily receiving the finest assortment of dry goods ever exhibited in this market, which he offers for living rates for cash only. Remember the place—Second St[illegible] the Tremont House.

LEGAL ADVERTISING.—Never before has there seemed to be such a scarcity of legal advertising in Dakota County This, though hard on the printer, is indicative of universal prosperity and of an ability of the people generally to pay their debts.

SELLING OUT.—Dr. WHIPPLE, an old and well-known resident of Prescott, is selling out his large stock of articles usually kept in a drug store, preparatory to taking up his residence in San Francisco, to which place he intends to remove the coming fall. He offers large inducements to dealers, and will sell at 10 per cent below New York prices. It will pay to call or drop him a line.

BURGLARY.—The store of DRAPER & BALLARD was entered by means of forcing a back window, on last Thursday night. The thief, however, found a slight obstacle in the person of the clerk, and made off hastily without taking anything, and leaving several tools which were claimed by MONTGOMERY & THOMPSON as having been stolen from their shop the same night.

MARBLE WORKS.—Mr. ALDRACH, of Winona, was in town yesterday making arrangements for starting a branch of his business in this place. He has rented the Hinman building on Second Street, below Tyler, and will have a stock of marble and his workmen here by the 1st of next month, ready to commence operations. This will be a much needed addition to the business of our town, and no doubt will be liberally encouraged.

NEW SCHOOL.—A. P. SCHNEIDER proposes to open a German-English school in this city, and has issued flaming prospectuses to that effect (printed, of course, at the *Independent* office, where all of the unique job work is done). Among other things he will teach "Bookkeeping and Mercantile Correspondence in the three named languages. ☞ Caligraphy, Drawing, Instrumantal Music and Singing." This, if not an embellishment of the printer, indicates a most wonderful school.

AN APOLOGY.—We do not intentionally slight any one, believing it is meet to give even "the devil his due." But in our account of the supper of the sporting club, in our last issue, we inadvertently omitted giving our friend BINGHAM his share of the credit for the good things provided on that occasion, an error which we hasten to rectify. Every body knows who has stopped there that the Tremont House without HENRY would be like the Prince of Denmark with the part of Hamlet omitted, or an enormous plum pudding without any raisins in it. And we are more culpable from the fact that we were indebted to his kind attentions that night for no small share of our enjoyment. We shall endeavor to be more remindful in future.

MUCH OBLIGED.—We are indebted to CHAS. ETHERIDGE, the accommodating agent of the Metropolitan Insurance Company, for an office card representing the dial of a clock with the words "will return at." This is to be set indicating the hour when you may be expected back. It is chiefly intended for married men who are in the habit of spending their evenings out. The figures on ours hardly run high enough to be of practical service, but it is of little matter as there is no one to sit up for us or to ply a thousand and one silly and impertinent questions as to our whereabouts and adventures.

A DESERVING MERCHANT.—The *Central Republican* pays the following tribute to SAMUEL ROGERS, one of our heaviest dealers:

"We are writing only what the heart prompts and our conscience approves, when we tell our readers we have known him long, and always favorably. For six years past he has been a constant contributor to the columns of the *Republican*, and in all our intercourse and dealings, which have been somewhat extensive, we have ever found him, and with pleasure commend him to our readers, as one of those honorable, prompt, upright, liberal minded, genial-hearted merchants, who deserve patronage and success. He is worthy of it, and we trust our friends will call and see him when they visit Hastings. They will always find him social, kind, and gentlemanly, and ready to oblige. Try him."

GRAND HUNT.—The first regular hunt of the sporting club of this city came off on Friday last, 14th inst. The day, though exceedingly warm, was very good, and a fair amount of game was bagged. The following are the sides chosen and the number of birds brought in by each:

J. C. Meloy,	37
Samuel Hammond,	28
John Lewis,	28
Geo. Morse,	18
L. Van Slyke,	16
	127
Dr. J. E. Finch,	40½
Zack Lewis,	20
C. H. L. Lange,	20
H. H. White,	19
J. M. Kennerson,	17
	115½

The side headed by J. C. Meloy, having the largest count, was declared the winner.

The captaincy falls to Dr. J. E. Finch, he having shot the largest number of birds.

The supper at the Tremont House on the evening of the 15th was well attended, and everything passed off very satisfactorily to all concerned.

TOWN CAUCUS.—Pursuant to notice the union men of Hastings met at Teutonia Hall on Thursday evening, Aug. 13th, 1863, for the purpose of selecting delegates to attend the county republican union convention, meeting on Saturday, 15th inst. Judge S. G. RENICK was elected chairman of the meeting, and R. W. MONTGOMERY secretary.

On motion of IRVING TODD, the meeting agreed to elect two delegates from the 1st Ward, three from the 2d, and two from the 3d, that being the number of delegates with which Hastings was accredited.

The meeting was then addressed by T. M. SMITH, esq., who was cheered vociferously.

The election of delegates was then proceeded with, resulting as follows:

1st Ward—C. M. WILSON and C. H. L. LANGE.

2d Ward—A. M. HAYES, J. F. RHESE, and L. S. FOLLETT.

3d Ward—ELI ROBINSON and D. W. TRUAX.

On motion of O. S. TAYLOR, a majority of the delegates were empowered to fill vacancies.

On motion of IRVING TODD, a township committee of five were appointed by the chair for the ensuing year, consisting of the following gentlemen:

IRVING TODD, A. M. HAYES, O. S. TAYLOR, C. H. L. LANGE, and W. H. SKINNER.

A collection was then taken up to defray the expenses of the hall.

On motion adjourned *sine die*.

S. G. RENICK, Chairman.
R. W. Montgomery, Secretary.

COUNTY CONVENTION.—The delegates to the county convention assembled at Teutonia Hall on Saturday, 15th inst. Mr. Heslet was called to the chair, and Chas. H. L. Lange elected secretary.

On motion, the chairman appointed a committee of three on credentials, consisting of Messrs. A. M. Hayes, L. S. Follett, and I. M. Ray.

The committee on credentials reported the following delegates from the different townships:

Hastings,—J. F. Rehse, C. M. Wilson, L. S. Follett, A. M. Hayes, Chas. H. L. Lange, Eli Robinson, D. W. Truax.

Inver Grove,—H. G. O. Morrison.

Vermillion,—Joseph Eathly, Audrew Warsup.

West St. Paul,—N. N. Thompson, F. M. Libby, Moses Bixler, Anthony Kiern, Yoest Heinborgh.

Empire City,—Isaac Heslett, I. M. Ray.

Castle Rock,—Richard Van Alkenkenburgh, J. B. Stevens.

Nininger,—D. B. Truax, Peter F. Countryman, E. E. Heerman.

Mendota,—W. J. March, H. A. Valarand, William Comfort.

Eureka,—T. H. Van Doren, A. C. Bean, A. L. Caskey.

Thomas M. Smith was substituted in place of Mr. Robinson, who was absent.

On motion, the delegates present were allowed to cast the entire vote of the towns which they represented.

Messrs. Smith, Bixler, and Warsup were appointed a committee on apportionment.

On motion, Messrs. Irving Todd, J. F. Rehse, H. G. O. Morrison, N. N. Thompson, and I. M. Ray were appointed a republican union county committee for the ensuing year.

The report of committee on apportionment was adopted.

Delegates to state convention were then elected as follows:

Hastings,—S. G. Renick, J. F. Rehse, Irving Todd.

Vermillion, Empire, and Nininger,—D. B. Truax.

West St. Paul, Mendota, and Inver Grove,—Moses Bixler.

Lakeville, Castle Rock, and Eureka,—Ditus Day.

Hampton, Lewiston, Greenvale, and Sciota,—J. S. Hazleton.

On motion, the delegates were authorized to fill all vacancies in their number.

On motion, covention adjourned *sine die*.

ISAAC HESLET, President.
Chas. H. L. Lange, Secretary.

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EDUCATIONAL.

BY PROF. T. F. THICKSTUN.

Things Encouraging and Things Discouraging.

In our recent lecturing excursion we found some things very encouraging in an educational point of view; some things, also, which looked doleful enough.

The people have the right idea of what constitutes a good, practical school system. Their convictions are favorable to a full and efficient executive school department. They uniformly desire the re-establishment of the superintendency of public instruction. We know of but two men who stand opposed to this office. The intelligent, to a man, declare it absolutely essential to the well being of our common schools.

The conviction is certainly gaining ground that the *common* schools are the chief reliance of the state for the education of the people. Colleges, academies, and high schools are all of them good and very desirable, still they are not thought to be of the first importance. Somebody has declared the free schools to be the people's colleges. Our citizens very generally have made up their minds that this is the fact. They are thinking the whole matter over frequently and carefully.

But they are not yet ready to act so well for the public school as they are accustomed to think. They think rightly, and, one would think, sufficiently on the subject, but they have not yet reached the point of action. They fail to put their good thoughts and convictions into execution. We lie, all over the state, just on the edge of a decision in this matter. We could see it in every town we visited. The next five years will witness a change in Minnesota educationally which will be the most gratifying. Let no one be discouraged. There is no mistake in the vision.

We found a very fair school house at Cannon Falls—a little small, but quite creditable to the place nevertheless. It is a pity, however, that the inhabitants cannot all unite on one school. Two or three little schools are enough to ruin any small town. One good, large one is the appropriate means for its salvation educationally. We would be glad to see union, *union* in this direction in every city, town, and district in the state. Money and brains are wasted every day a divided educational interest is maintained.

Rochester has no public school house. It has some five hundred children within its corporation limits, but no place for their education.

The people there are talking of moving soon. We trust that the word will soon reach us that this beautiful and thrifty inland city has erected and dedicated a free school house worthy of itself.

Red Wing has shown great public spirit in building churches and a high school edifice, but in common schools they make a poor exhibition. One of its own citizens characterized their school house as "a sort of a tub." We inferred from this that it was about on a level for size and elligibility with those primitive institutions known to western men as preemption shanties. They, however, have already raised by tax the sum of four or five thousand dollars which is to be devoted to building a school house soon. This is good.

Lake City has a large common school building up, but has it finished neither inside nor outside. It looks dilapidated from without. It is a great pity that it cannot be finished and consecrated to its proper use. It would, in that event, be both an honor and a blessing to the town. As it now is, it is neither. A little action would put Lake City in the front rank of the educational towns of the state.

Poor Hastings has not a "tub" for public schools. It has voted, moreover, to postpone the consideration of the whole subject to the year of grace *one thousand eighteen hundred and sixty four*. In the mean time let no one disturb her delectable slumbers. "Ignorance is bliss"—when a body is asleep.

We have heard a great deal of the inconvenience which travellers experience on account of the dust in passing over the sand-bars of the river. We saw bed-bugs, but no dust. The shower that prevailed while we were aboard, might have been more favorable to the *vegetation* of the former than of the latter. Why do not all the river lines show themselves equally democratically considerate of preachers? The Davidson line is the only one that has ever been able to discover clergymanic symptoms in our physiognomy, when fare was to be collected.

THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

Office Over the Bank of Hastings, Exchange Block, Second Street.

Mending and Darning.

Most of our fair readers have a decided aversion to that part of their duty which falls under the "patching and darning" denomination. They are of opinion that "a rent may be the incident of a day; a darn, premeditated poverty." But if they only knew how pretty a well executed piece of repair looks, when you see in its warp and woot the bright threads of economy and independence and womanly thrift, crossing and recrossing one another, they would lay aside embroideries and crochet work, and take up, instead, the mending basket.

We rode down town the other day, when the only other occupants of the stage were a young gentleman and a lovely girl of, we should think, about eighteen. She was the prettiest, freshest-looking girl one would want to see—there were no tell-tale traces of midnight parties and headachy mornings in those peach-blossom cheeks and clear, bright eyes; and all the numberless little items of her dress were as fresh and trim as she herself—from the pink bonnet-strings down to the neatly-fitting gloves and delicate gaiter-boots. If we had been an old bachelor, or a young one either, we would certainly have fallen in love with that girl, particularly after we had discovered that she was as industrious as pretty. And how do you suppose we found it out? The handkerchief that lay in her lap told us so. The neat little darn, elaborately executed, in its corner, with the small white stitches and skillful handiwork, had a tongue quite audible to our ears. Time and patience and wise economy had been there. The gentleman sitting opposite saw the little token also; we noticed his eye turning from the handkerchief to the blooming face, and back to the handkerchief again, and we knew perfectly well what he was thinking of—the good wife that young lady would make, and how neat her husband's cravats and stockings would be. Poor fellow! the edges of his shirt bosom were a little frayed, and one or two buttons were missing, whose detection the most skillful arrangement of his cravat ends could not conceal. Perhaps he had a wife who did n't believe in mending and darning—perhaps he had none at all. However that may have been, his admiring eyes appreciated the darn on the handkerchief more than if it had been the richest and most sight destroying embroidery—not for what it was, but what it betokened.

Girls, do n't shrink from a mended place as if it were a plague spot; the longer the old things last, the better able you will be to have new ones by-and-by. Sensible people read your character in little things; and nobody will think the worse of you for one station in life, for the exercise of economy and thrift. A stitch in time saves nine, and sometimes it saves a great deal more than that.—*English paper.*

A SHORT LECTURE TO YOUNG MEN.—Keep good company or none. Never be idle. If your hands cannot be usefully employed, attend to the cultivation of your mind. Always speak the truth. Make few promises. Live up to your engagements. Keep your own secrets, if you have any. When you speak to a person, look him in the face. Good company and good conversation are the very sinews of virtue. Good character is above all things else. Your character cannot be essentially injured, except by your own acts. If any one speaks evil of you, let your life be so that none believe him. Drink no kind of intoxicating liquor. Ever live, misfortunes excepted, within your income. When you retire to bed, think over what you have done during the day. Never play at any games of chance. Avoid temptation, through fear that you may not withstand it. Never run in debt, unless you see a way to get out of it again. Save when you are young, that you may spend when you are old.

FOR OUR LADY READERS.—Procure a tin box—any tinsmith can make one—two inches deep and about a foot in diameter, made in a circular form, having a space one and a half inches wide around the outer edge (a small tin pan placed in a larger one will perhaps give an idea of it), have it painted green, and keep the space around the edge filled with water. Arrange flowers in it, and it presents the appearance of a wreath lying on the table, the water keeping the flowers fresh and bright. A lamp, gas-burner, statuette, or vase of flowers can be placed in the centre. It forms a very neat floral ornament.

It was a refinement of cruelty in the torture days to bind a living man to a corpse. Dead lips to living lips. Lumpish heart at throbbing heart. Glazed eyes so close that their stare could be felt, not seen, by eyes set in horor. Death grappling, and life wrestling itself to death. Have we never seen this, now that the days of bodily torture are over? Have we seen no delicate spirit of a woman quelled by the embraces of a brute? Have we seen no high and gentle-hearted man bound to a coarse, base wife, and slain by the body of death?

Power, in its quality and degree, is the measure of manhood. All the positive progression of this world is made by self nourished souls. The mere college-made men can be found in platoons together on given questions. These are fine ornamental men, excel in contributions to family newspapers, preach unexceptionable sermons to unexceptionable audiences, but in the slang phrase of the day, *they do n't know how to keep a hotel!*

From Peterson's Magazine.

The Illinois Stock Owner.

In a luxuriously furnished apartment, situated in one of our Eastern cities, a mother and daughter were seated. The mother was a fine looking woman of forty; the daughter, a dazzlingly beautiful girl of eighteen. The latter was intensely perusing a letter.

Suddenly she looked up. "Well, my child! What is it? said the mother.

"Edward has met with reverses," was the reply, "that will force him to give up a residence here, after our marriage; and my first home with him will be in Illinois."

"In Illinois! Is he going to turn farmer to recover his losses?"

"Hardly that, I think. His knowledge would be as limited as mine in that vocation, I am sure. No, it is stock-raising."

"Stock-raising! That is but little better, I think."

"Well, I hardly know what he means. I will read you what he writes about it," and the treasured epistle was again drawn from its delicate enclosure.

"The change in my fortune," the letter said, "will make it necessary for me to decline the offer of a partnership in the firm in your city, to which I before referred. And as I expect to deal in stock, it will be best for my business if I reside in Illinois, somewhere in Cook County, I think. And now, Emma, darling! dare I ask you still to share in my changed fortune? I do not ask it as a right, but only my deep love for you. Can you forego all those luxuries to which you have been accustomed, and endure the privations incident to Western life? If you ask to be released from your engagement, I cannot blame you! But believe me, dearest, it will be the saddest word I have ever been called to hear, and I—"

"There, that will do, my child! Spare your blushes and my ears. And you will give him up?"

"Mother!"

It was a simple word of two sylables; but it told the parent more than hours of argument could have done. Still the mother seemed unwilling to give it up without an effort.

"Consider well what you are doing, Emma," she said. "You, who have been reared so tenderly. Hardly a wish ungratified."

"Do not, I beg, mother, ask me to perjure myself. I promised to be Charles Leyton's wife. If he has been unfortunate, there is more need than ever that I should keep troth with him. No! I will not add a woman's desertion to his other misfortune."

"Well, my darling, neither I, nor your father, will seek to coerce you in this matter. I have done my duty in advising you. Charles Leyton is worthy of your love, whatever tricks fortune may play him."

The father said but little to deter her. But often she would detect an eager, anxious look from out his [illegible] thoughtful eyes, when he supposed himself unobserved.

The wedding day was fixed by letter, as Charles could not conveniently return until just before his marriage.

One morning, as the father was leaving, he turned to Emma, and, placing a roll of bills in her hand, said,

"There is something for your wedding outfit, my child."

Emma took the bundle, and, looking in the dear, kind face wistfully, as she was wont to do when asking a favor, began to speak, and then hesitated.

"What is it, pet? Are you afraid there is not enough? If not sufficient, ask for more."

"Oh! it is not that. But I was thinking——"

"Well, of what were you thinking? You think too much, lately."

"Would you be displeased if I should get a plain muslin for my wedding dress? It would cost much less, and would be far more suitable to my altered circumstances."

"Yes, I should be very much displeased. You are my daughter yet, and shall be married as such. And then, if you must go and live in a cabin on the prairie, with a cattle-driver, I shall feel that I have done my duty as a father by you."

This was more than the poor girl expected, and the tears came like summer rain.

"Tut, tut! What a silly chit she is!" And the father's hand was laid gently on her head, and lingered long and lovingly among the twining curls. "Charles will be wealthy yet. Men often acquire large fortunes in the kind of business he proposes to adopt. Besides, Emma, I have other daughters that will be wanting wedding dresses, perhaps, some day; and my first born must not go to her bridal in shabby attire. Trust all to your mother, my child, and be my own light-hearted Emma again, or I shall be sorry that I ever promised you to a poor man."

The wedding-day came in due season. Emma had objected to the bridal tour. But her father and lover, after teasing her somewhat about her miserly attributes, overruled her objections, and three weeks at Saratoga, a trip to the sea-side, and a steamboat excursion around the lakes to Chicago was at last decided upon.

Charles Leyton was proud—and well might he be—of the treasure he had won, and took no pains to conceal it from her in all those pleasant days. "She had sacrificed so much for him!" he said, constantly.

Their excursions on the lakes was delightful. The picture-like islands, umbrageous in their summer splendor—the glimpses of varied scenery along the shore—and the delicious lake breeze—all combined to make this part of their journey seem a flight through fairy land.

They reached Chicago on a beautiful August morning, and, to the surprise of the young wife, the first persons they met at the landing were two young men, intimate friends of her husband, and who had officiated as groomsmen at their wedding.

A private carriage was in waiting, and the four were soon threading their way through the crowded city. On, on, past splendid hotels, almost palace like in size and architecture. At length they reached a street lined with beautiful trees. Soon after the carriage drew up before an elegant mansion, evidently a private residence. Emma was assisted from the carriage; and then, her husband, without heeding her questioning looks, led her up to the marble steps, and, throwing open the door, gently pushed her from him, into the vestibule, and in an instant she was clasped in her mother's arms, while her dear, kind father stood by and coughed, and wiped his eyes, as if she had brought a cloud of dust with her that was filling his throat and blinding him. The mother took no pains to conceal her emotion, but murmured soft, loving words, as only a mother could over a returned daughter.

Her husband and his two friends had followed her, and, as she looked first at one, and then at the other, she was perfectly bewildered. But her mother, without giving her any time for questions, led the way into a luxuriously furnished parlor, and, while the gentlemen seated themselves, and strove to appear perfectly at ease, with her own hands began unfastening the outer garments of the tired traveler.

"Mother! What does this mean? Am I dreaming? Is this your home?"

"No, Emma, it is your home, and will be so long as you can call your husband's house your home."

"This, then, is from your kindness, my father?"

"No, my dear, I am sorry to say it is not. I should be hardly able to purchase a residence like this, without selling my own."

Mrs. Leyton," said one of the gentlemen who had met them at the landing, "it belongs to me to confess and explain all. About five months ago, Charles Leyton fell heir to quite a large property, in Chicago. My friend here, and I, were with him when he was officially notified of the fact. We all commented freely on the freaks of fortune, and I remarked that had he lost a fortune instead of gaining one, some of us might stand a better chance to win the favor of a certain beautiful girl in our city that rumor was now given entirely to him. The remark nettled him, and he challenged me to the trial. Believe me, so confident was he of your truth, that I began to waver, and even offered to withdraw my assertion. But he insisted; and your father coming in, just at that time, and learning the subject of discussion, his pride was aroused for his child, and the whole thing was arranged then, and there. Your mother was in the secret. We have been defeated in the contest, and now willingly yield the palm to woman's devotion."

"And that statement about being a stock-owner? Did you, Charles, did you—did you write me a—a—"

"'Falsehood?' you would ask? No, I did not—in words, at least. I wrote you of my changed fortune, but I did not say in what manner it was changed. I am a stock-owner, and have hundreds of cattle on my farm. I have other business, however, and that is in this beautiful, prosperous city."

"And, father, my log-cabin? Where is it?"

"This is it. And we are all your guests for a week, if you will entertain us so long. Your mother was suspicious of your unfledged wings, and, enlisting your husband in her service, beguiled me into a promise to meet you in your new home."

The young wife could hardly forego a woman's right to pout a little at the part she had unwittingly acted in the little plot; but she had the good sense to see that this was not the time, or place, to do it; and, with graceful dignity, she took her place in the well-ordered household. And when the pleasant week had passed, her friends left her with the gratifying thought, that her "lines had been cast in pleasant places."

A BEAUTIFUL ILLUSTRATION.—If one should give me a dish of sand, and tell me there were particles of iron in it, I might look for them with my eyes, and search for them with my clumsy fingers, and be unable to detect them; but let me take a magnet and peep through it, and how would it draw to itself the most invisible particles by the mere power of attraction. The unthankful heart, like my finger in the sand, discovers no mercies; but let the thankful heart sweep through the day, and as the magnet finds the iron, so it will find in every hour some heavenly blessings; only the iron in God's sand is gold.—*O. W. Holmes.*

A BEAUTIFUL ILLUSTRATION.—It is said of the Icelanders that they scrupulously observe the usage of reading the Sacred Scriptures every morning, the whole family joining in the singing and prayers. When the Icelander awakes, he salutes no person until he has saluted God. He usually hastens to the door, adores the Author of Nature and Providence, and then steps back into the dwelling, saying to his family, "God grant you a good day!" What a beautiful illustration is this of the Christian obligation on the part of households to recognize and worship God.

Man goes forth like the day, and straightway arises the roar of busy toil, the sound of human voices, and the rush and tumult of active life—the ministrations of woman are like the ministrations of quiet night, when the dews fall upon the drooping leaves and flowers, and in holy stillness the stars come out to watch the tired, slumbering earth.—*Chapin.*

AGRICULTURAL.

The State Agricultural Society.

ST. PAUL, Aug. 8, 1863.

At a meeting of the state board of agriculture, held at the office of the secretary of state, to-day, there were present—Messrs. Ames, Stevens, Furbur, Clark, and Alex. Chambers by proxy, Charles Hoag, Esq., being duly authorized.

It was resolved, on motion of Colonel Stevens, that we hold a state fair this fall, at Fort Snelling, on the 30th day of September, and the 1st and 2d days of October.

On further motion of Col. Stevens, J. Mace Eustis, of Minneapolis, was appointed general superintendent of the fair.

Maj. P. P. Furber, of St. Paul, was, on motion of Mr. Ames, appointed suprintendent of the ladies department, and instructed to prepare a premium list for the same.

It was further resolved that the premium list of last year be adopted as far as practicable, and that Messrs. Ames and Wilson act a committee in preparing and revising said list.

It was ordered by the board that the secretary be authorized to procure the necessary printing and publishing.

On motion of Mr. Furber, Col. Stevens was appointed a committee to correspond with Hon. Horace Greeley, in relation to his delivering the annual address, with full power to the procurement of him or some other suitable person.

On motion of Col. Stevens, the President, Secretary and Superintendent were appointed a committee to see that the fair grounds, buildings, etc., are put in the necessary condition, and that they be empowered to act in all cases for the board.

On motion of Charles Hoag, the proceedings of the meeting were ordered to be published in all papers throughout the state, friendly to the cause of agriculture.

No further business coming before the meeting, the board adjourned to meet at Fort Snelling on Monday, August 17th, at 2 o'clock P. M.

W. L. AMES, President.
Chas. H. Clark, Secretary.

The Dakota Co. Fair Ground Company.

The following are the articles of association of the Dakota County Fair Ground Company, the object of which is to raise two thousand dollars or more for the purpose of buying sufficient land and improving the same in a proper manner to hold the fairs of the Dakota County Agricultural Society:

1. This association shall be known as the Dakota County Fair Ground Company.

2. Any person may become a member of this company by subscribing and paying $5 into the treasury of the company. After one hundred shares shall have been subscribed, the present committee shall give notice in some newspaper in Hastings when and where such shareholders shall meet, at which meeting the shareholders shall elect a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and seven directors. A majority of the shareholders present being necessary to a choice.

3. The president and directors shall have full power to purchase suitable grounds, and improve the same in such manner as they may think the best interests of said company may require, and rent or lease said grounds to the Dakota County Agricultural Society, holding in view, at all times, the true interests of the agricultural and mechanical interests of Dakota County.

4. The directors and officers shall be elected annually, and in all elections in said company each share shall be entitled to one vote.

Lessons of the Drouth.

How often have farmers read of the importance of drainiug, deep plowing, thorough pulverization of the soil, and other elements of good husbandry! And they have said to themselves, this is very good theory, and is very well for others to practice, but *my* land do n't need such fussing over. Yet, almost every year, in time of drouth, we hear them wonder why their corn rolls up its leaves so much worse than that of more careful farmers, and why most of their crops dry so badly in mid summer. Has not this been the experience of some the present year? They complain bitterly of the season, of Providence, of everything except their own management. Now and then they visit other farms where the land is well drained, where sub-soil plows are owned and used, where the manure heap is constantly building and no part of it suffered to waste, and where all the farm implements are kept bright by use; and here they find the crops almost unaffected by drouth. Their eyes are opened a little, and they begin to see that there is something in thorough farming, possibly in book farming. We have no doubt that an inch or two deeper in plowing often repays the farmer a hundred or more dollars annually, in the crops saved from drouth, or increased in amount. —*American Agriculturist.*

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June 30, 1863. 12-tf

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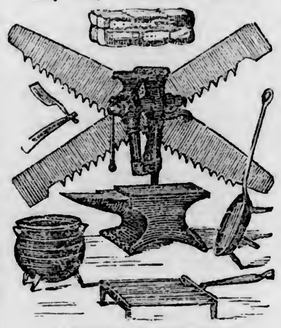

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Caudidates For State Offices.

As the time for the state convention approaches, the people naturally desire to know who are likely to be presented as candidates for the important offices to be filled. As yet this has not been a matter of much discussion by the press of the state. For governor there seems to be no one on whom public opinion has united as the man for the place. A number of prominent citizens, however, have been named as probable or possible candidates for the position. First it is understood that the present acting governor, Hon. Henry A. Swift, will be a candidate, and will probably receive a large number of votes. Mr. Swift is an old resident of the state, and was a candidate for congress on the republican ticket, at our first state election. He is doubtlessly entirely reliable on the political issues of the day, and has sufficient ability to fill the office with credit to himself and the state.

Col. Stephen Miller is also announced as a candidate, and is likely to have some strength in the convention. The St. Cloud *Democrat*, the Hastings *Conerver*, and the Rochester *Republican* are advocates for his nomination. Col. Miller has zeal, energy, and ability, and as true a heart as ever beat in a human bosom. He deserves well of the republican party for his past services in the political field, and of all loyal citizens for his pure, active, and devoted patriotism. We could cordially support his nomination, if it should seem that the interests of the state could be best harmonized in this way.

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For the minor offices there will doubtless be, as usual, any number of candidates. For Lieut. Governor, Mr. Jared Benson, of Anoka, Ex-Speaker Sherwood, of Fillmore County, and Judge Ottman, of Wabashaw County, have already been spoken of. For secretary of state the prospects are in favor of our brother editor, Mr. David Blakely, of Rochester, the present incumbent of the office under appointment of Gov. Ramsey. Mr. Blakely makes a prompt, efficient, and popular officer, and will most likely be nominated without opposition. It is also stated that the present treasurer and auditor and attorney general will be candidates for renomination, and we are unable to say who or how many will be placed in competition with them.

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CARLISLE, Warren County, O., March 8, 1858.

Dr. C. W. Roback—Dear Sir:

For the benefit of suffering humanity permit me to say that I have found your scandinavian blood purifier and blood pills, a sure cure for indigestion and liver complaint. I have suffered from the above mentioned diseases for five years and have tried a great many physicians, but all to no purpose. I was advised by a friend to try your blood purifier and pills and did so. I was living in Cincinnati at the time, and I went to your office and purchased one bottle of the purifier and one box of pills to commence with, and bless the day I found your valuable medicines, for I am enjoying good health at present, and feel confident that the cure is permanent. Let others buy and take what they please, as for me, give me the blood purifier and pills for all chronical diseases, which arise from impure blood or derangements of the digestive organs. I take no other medicines, and have not for the last eighteen months. Most truly, T. V. DUNORS.

See advertisement.

They are a queer people over in St. Paul. A few days ago, while the U. S. Marshals were enrolling the city they were stoutly resisted by a young mob made up chiefly of women. The marshals of course arrested the dear creatures, and sent them to the lock up, thus doing their duty according to law. This being done they proceeded with their work without further trouble. Now comes the outrage. These marshals have been arrested upon a trumped up charge of assault and battery and tried before a Jeff Davis Justice and fined for doing their duty. Such actions are a disgrace to St. Paul and the state of Minnesota.—*Polk Co. Press.*

GOD IS FOR THE UNION.—It was a happy and amusing conceit of a little four or five year old boy, who saw a rainbow a few days since, for the first time in his life. His father took him out doors and showed him a fine one which spanned the sky, and the first exclamation of the child was the inquiry, "Hallo! who put that up there?" The father answered that "God put it there." After looking intently and delightedly a few moments, he exclaimed, again, "Oh! oh! red, white and blue! God is for the Union, ain't He?" That little boy's head and heart are sound as a bible. God is, indeed, for the Union.

State News.

W. H. Wood has disposed of his interest in the St. Cloud *Union* to Spafford & Simonton, who will conduct it as heretofore.

SHEEP.—A drove of 1700 sheep passed through to the west on Saturday last. They were bound for the neighborhood of St. Peter.—*Manterville Express.*

GOOD EVIDENCE.—The Winona *Republican* complains that the county jail of that county is too small for the number of persons arrested, and recommends that an addition be built. It is a good evidence of the morality and peaceable disposition of the people of St. Cloud and Stearns County that their jail has been without an occupant for more than a year. To all intents and purposes, we would be as well off without a jail.—*St. Cloud Democrat.*

THE CROPS.—We hear cheering news from all points of Southern Minnesota relative to the crops, and that the yield will be much more than the most sanguine had expected. A large proportion of the wheat has been harvested and is nearly ready for the threshing machines. Our farmers certainly have no reason to complain after the gloomy prospect they had during the drouth. We learn that corn and potatoes are coming on finely and that there will be a large crop of both. Our soil must have a wonderful capacity to resist the blighting tendency of a drouth of three months duration, and yield after all a bountiful harvest.—*Winona Republican.*

ALMANAC PREDICTIONS.—Several mornings this year the sun will rise before certain people are aware of it, and set before they have done their day's work. In the course of next spring and summer, many alterations will be made in the form and trimmings of the ladies head dresses, but I think their appearance will not be much improved by the alteration. The public debt will not be paid this year. The same will happen with the private debts. Many people will drink more strong liquor than would be sufficient to keep them sober, and take more physic than would be sufficient to keep them in health. Many young ladies will be married, who are not yet courted; and many who are courted will have to wait another year.

ARTIFICIAL ICE.—A great degree of cold is produced by a mixture of saltpeter and Glauber salt, and there are now manufactured in England and exported to India, etc., in large quantities, chemical mixtures known as freezing powder, by means of which rough ice can be procured in fifteen minutes, at a cost of 1s. 6d. per pound. This powder, introduced into a little machine, invented by the same person, may be used upon the table to ice wine or water with the greatest celerity. A bottle of champagne may be iced in ten minutes for 3d. So great is the intensity of cold produced, that the sparkling contents of the bottle may be actually transformed into a spongy mass.—*Exchange.*

It appears from a trial lately made at Bourges that carrier pigeons can still compete in speed with railways. Last week one hundred and forty-five pigeons were liberated at Bourges at five o'clock in the morning to decide a wager. The first prize was gained by a pigeon which arrived at his pigeon-house at Verviers at fifty-four minutes pas twelve. The last arrival was at eleven minutes past one. Thus, in less than nine hours, these birds performed a distance of one hundred and fifty leagues, or three hundred and seventy-five miles—a speed which no French railway can equal.

We are much gratified to learn that the chances are in favor of the nomination of Col. Steven Miller for governor of Minnesota. He has proven himself devoted to the interest of his country, on many a hard fought battle field, and being disabled for active service in the field, is now in command of the forces in garrison in Minnesota. A patriot soldier and statesman, the people of Minnesota cannot do better in their selection than to choose Col. Miller, who has proved his devotion by his works.—*Rochester Republican.*

The claims brought against New York City, by parties who sustained losses of property in the riot, footed up to nearly half a million on Friday last. Brooks Brothers, the clothing merchants, alone presented a claim of over $71,000. It is a sweet thing to have a riot.

The Springfield *Republican* says that young men who neglected to support their mother for several years, have suddenly set about earning something so as to claim exemption from the draft, as being the sole support of a dependent maternal. People may now expect to see the rowdy gatherings on the street corners subside.

TURNED OUT OF DOORS.—The Buffalo *Commercial Advertiser* says:

"We learn that the proprietors of the Clifton House, Canada, recently gave Mr. Valandigham notice to quit—circumstances having rendered the space occupied by the notorious individual preferable to his company."

On the morning of the 7th inst. the military authorities of Philadelphia took possession of all the ice houses of Philadelphia, the sick and wounded in hospitals requiring all the ice on hand. Ice creams, cobblers, punches, etc., are constantly out of fashion, notwithstanding the intense heat.

A. P. Richardson has re-purchased the McGregor *Times*, and Mr. Tenney, former proprietor, has purchased a half interest in the McGregor *News*. The latter is republican, and the former is democratic.

MONETARY QUOTATIONS OF FOLLETT & RENICK.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

Bankable Funds.

New England,	Bank State of Indiana.
New York.	Iowa,
New Jersey,	Michigan,
Ohio.	U. S Demand Notes.
Canada.	Wisconsin,
Philadelphia,	Bank of Minnesota,
Marine Bank, Minn.,	Winona Co. Bank,
Bank of Chatfield,	State Bank of Minn.,
Peoples' Bank,	Pittsburg.

Exchange.

FOR BANKABLE FUNDS.

	Buying.	Selling.
New York, Philadelphia, Boston,	¼ prem.	½ prem.
Chicago and Milwaukee,	par.	¼ prem.

PREMIUM FUNDS.

Gold,	20	30
Silver (large),	10	15
U. S. Dem and Notes,	20	30
Canada,	15	30

RETAIL PRICES CURRENT.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY G. F. BATCHELDER.

HASTINGS, August 18, 1863.

FLOUR, per sack,	$3 00
WHEAT, per bushel,	65a70
CORN, do	40a45
OATS, do	60
POTATOES, do	75
BEANS, do	1 50
ONIONS, do	50
CRANBERRIES,	2 00
HAY, per ton,	6 00a8 00
WOOD, per cord,	3 00a4 00
SALT, per bbl	3 50
EGGS, per doz	15
BUTTER, per lb,	10a15
CHEESE, per lb	5a12
PORK, per cwt.	3a4
BEEF, per cwt.	3 00
HAMS, per cwt,	8a9
SHOULDERS, per cwt,	5a6
DRIED APPLES,	9
DRIED PEACHES,	15a25
SUGARS, per lb	12a17
MOLASSES, per gal	70a1 00
COFFEE, Java,	40
do Rio,	35

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED.

Two Marble Workers, immediately. Apply at the Winona Marble Works, or at this office.

Hastings, Aug. 18, 1863. 19-tf

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Melodeons of all the celebrated makers, at manufacturer's prices.

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A set of our very best Violin Strings 75c, Guitar Strings $1, Banjo Strings $1, sent by mail postage paid.

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WM. A. POND & Co.,

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MORTGAGE SALE.—WHEREAS DEfault has been made in the condition of a certain mortgage deed executed by Harvey Gillett and Georgie R. Gillett, his wife, of the county of Dakota, in the state of Minnesota to Allen E. Rich and Isaac B. Tozer, then and now partners in business under the firm name of Rich & Tozer, made, acknowledged, and delivered by said mortgagors to said firm of Rich & Tozer, mortgagees, and bearing date the 8th day of May, A. D. 1862, which said mortgage contains the usual power of sale to said Rich & Tozer and their assigns, and was duly filed for record with said mortgage in the office of the register of deeds of said county, on the 9th day of said May at four o'clock in the afternoon of that day, and was thereupon duly recorded in said office in book K of mortgagees on pages 587, 588, and 589; which said mortgage was given to secure the payment of one hundred and twenty-three dollars and seventy-one cents with interest at ten per cent per annum according to the conditions of a certain promisory note made by said Harvey Gillett and bearing even date with said mortgage. And there is claimed to be due and is actually due and unpaid upon said note and mortgage at the date of this notice the sum of one hundred and thirty-four dollars and fifty cents. And no suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. The mortgaged premises are described as follows, viz: All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Dakota County, state of Minnesota, and described as follows, to-wit: Lot number fourteen (14) in block number three (3) in H. G. Bailly's addition to Hastings, as per recorded plat thereof now on record in the office of register of deeds in said county.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained and pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of said mortgaged premises at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door of the office of said register of deeds in Hastings, in said county, on the 3d day of October, A. D. 1863, at one o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to satisfy said mortgage debt and the expenses of said sale.

19-7t RICH & TOZER, Mortagees.

A. M. Hayes, Att'y for said Mortgagees.

Dated Hastings, Minn., Aug. 18, 1863.

BLACKSMITH SHOP.

PLOWS! PLOWS!! PLOWS!!

I have just established myself in the above business on Second Street, above Herzog & Corson's Furniture Factory, and am prepared to do all kinds of Blacksmithing.

Also, constantly on hand all kinds of plows of the most approved patterns and made of the best material. I shall be obliged for a share of public patronage, and shall always warrant my work to be of the best quality. JOHN BATEMAN.

Hastings, Nov. 20, 1862. 82-tf

FARMING IMPLEMENTS.

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We are now manufacturing a number of the celebrated

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Thankful for the liberal encouragement we have received in the past we hope, by strict and prompt attention to business, to merit a continuation of it in the future.

Hastings, June 14, 1863. 10-tf.

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The undersigned, having formed a partnership connection under the firm name of Gardner & Meloy as dealers in all kinds of agricultural implements and the latest valuable and useful patents, to-wit:

J. H. Manny's Reaper and Mower.

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Storage and Commission solicited.

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Hastings, May 14, 1863. 5-tf

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Sewing Machines.

These Machines make the lock-stitch alike on both sides, and use less than half the thread and silk that the single or double thread or loop-stitch machines do; will Hem, Fell, Gather, Cord, Braid, Bind, etc., and are better adapted than any other Sewing Machine in use to the frequent changes and great variety of sewing required in a family, for they will sew from one to twenty thicknsses of Marseilles without stopping, and make every stitch perfect, or from the finest gauze to the heaviest beaver cloth, or even the stoutest harness leather, without changing the feed, needle, or tension, or making any adjustment of Machine whatever!

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LEGAL NOTICES.

ESTRAY.—STRAYED FROM THE premises of the subscriber, on the 19th inst., a pair of large, red, six year old oxen, each having a white spot on the hip and under the flank, and on the tip of the tail. One had a star in the forehead, and the other a hole through the right horn. Each had a rope around the horns when they left, and one a board in front. A liberal reward will be paid to any one returning the same or giving information as to where they may be found.

T. D. AYLSWORTH.

Pine Bend, July 25, 1863. 16-tf

DISTRICT COURT, DAKOTA COUNty.—ss. (Revenue Stamp.)

Victoria Tripp *against* Amanzel D. Tripp. Summons for relief.

The state of Minnesota to Amanzel D. Tripp:

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, of which a copy is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscribers at their office in the city of Hastings, county of Dakota and state of Minnesota, within ninety days after service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said comp int within the time aforesaid the plaintiff in this action will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated June 15, 1863.

ROBINSON & JENNINGS,
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MISCELLANEOUS.

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Hastings, Aug. 10, 1863. 18-6m

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Hastings, Minn., May 14, 1863.

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of Olmsted County.

For Auditor of State,
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of Nicollet County.

For State Treasurer,
CHARLES SCHEFFER,
of Washington County.

For Attorney General,
GORDON E. COLE,
of Rice County.

For Clerk of the Supreme Court.
GEORGE F. POTTER,
of Houston County.

Our Ticket.

We have the pleasure of presenting to our readers this week the nominees of the republican union state convention for their support at the ensuing election.

For Governor we have the time-honored name of STEPHEN MILLER, a soldier, a scholar, and a gentleman, and we feel none the less gratified at the nomination by reason of our being the first in the state to present his claims for the consideration of the people. Col. Miller's history is a part and parcel of the records of the state, and as such is public property. Nobly has he stood up in defense of his country, and his sacrifices for the cause of liberty and justice have endeared him to all our hearts. His nomination will be received with loud huzzas by his companions in arms, whether in the South or on our borders, and their votes will attest the high standing he has secured among them. We could not have found a more worthy man in the state for the office, and it was due the people and the best interests of our young and flourishing commonwealth that the selection was made as it is.

The nominee for Lieutenant Governor, Hon. C. D. SHERWOOD, will also be generally acceptible. His experience in the House, of which he was speaker last winter, together with his well-known abilities and fitness for the office, render him a strong candidate.

No better proof could be secured of the impartial manner in which the present incumbents have acquited themselves, than the renomination of the Secretary of State, Auditor, Treasurer, and Attorney General, the two latter for the third time. They are eminently fitted for their respective positions, and deserve a re-elections.

GEORGE F. POTTER is the nominee for Clerk of the Supreme Court. He is a lawyer in good standing, and has already been connected with our legislatures in various capacities. George is a particular *friend* to the copperheads, and deserves the office out of respect to their feelings.

The State Convention.

Pursuant to call, the republican union convention met at Ingersoll's Hall, St. Paul, on the 19th inst., and the following officers were chosen:

President.—W. H. Yale, of Winona.

Vice Presidents.—O. Densmore, First District; R. H. Fitz, Second District; Daniel Cameron, Third District; J. W. Wheelock, Fourth District; A. Chambers, Fifth District; N. B. Stone, Sixth District.

Secretaries.—Irving Todd, Dakota; J. B. Creighton, Wabashaw; W. B. Dean, Ramsey; W. B. Griswold, Carver.

Messrs. G. A. Nourse, L. K. Stannard, R. Reynolds, H. Mitchell, J. M. Donaldson, and J. T. Williams were appointed a committee on resolutions, and made the following report, which was adopted:

Resolved, That we, chosen to represent in convention the unconditional union men of Minnesota, grateful to Almighty God for the success which has hitherto crowned the arms of our country and for the prospect thus opened of a speedy, honorable, and lasting peace, do hereby, for ourselves and our constituents, reaffirm our determination to support our government by every means in our power in the vigorous prosecution of this war,—on our part, holy, just, and forced upon us by the criminal acts of others,—until not an enemy in arms shall be found within our borders. And to this we pledge our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor.

2. That we tender our grateful thanks to the survivors of our glorious armies, and our warm sympathy to the relatives of their gallant dead, who have won for the country so glorious victories, for themselves imperishable renown, and for us all an assurance of liberty and safety, for ourselves and our children, under our beloved and now well-tried government.

3. That with especial pride we point to the gallant achievements on many a hard-fought battle-field, of our Minnesota regiments. Their bravery, discipline, and patriotism have won for them a name that shall never die, and made forever honorable to a citizen of Minnesota.

4. That, without claiming for it exemption from error, we heartily endorse the general policy and conduct of our national administration; and we point to the recent magnificent triumph of our armies as its best vindication from the charge of incapacity so freely brought against it by those who prefer national ruin to success under the present administration. Especially do we approve the emancipation proclamation, and the raising of black troops, as being among the best possible measures to weaken the enemy and strengthen ourselves.

5. That our state administration and congressional delegation deserve our hearty approbation for the zealous and efficient co-operation they have afforded the national authorities in carrying on the war.

6. That we call upon those in authority to take such measures, by retaliation or otherwise, as shall effectually prevent brutal and barbarous treatment by the enemy of our soldiers, of whatever color.

7. That it is due to our shattered armies in the field, as well as to the sacred cause which they uphold, that their ranks should as speedily as possible be filled up by every means in our power. It is due to the country that the mobs raised to resist and prevent the draft, should not even seem to have succeeded a day longer than is necessary to enforce the laws.

8. That the way to peace is, and ever has been, open to the rebels; the only condition we have ever sought to impose is that they should lay down their arms and submit to the authority of the general government. We protest against the making of any terms with them in advance as to their *status* in communities, when they shall have returned to their allegiance. Having been declared "public enemies" by a recent unanimous decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, they must accept the consequences that legitimately flow from having placed themselves in that position.

The convention proceeded to the selection of a candidate for governor, and Col. Stephen Miller was nominated by acclamation, without a dissenting voice.

On the informal ballot for lieutenant governor Reuben Ottman received 67 votes, C. D. Sherwood 56, and E. B. Ames 3. Mr. Ottman's name being withdrawn, Mr. Sherwood was nominated by acclamation.

The nominations of David Blakely for secretary of state, Chas. Scheffer for treasurer, Gordon E. Cole for attorney general, and Chas. McIlrath for auditor were then made by acclamation.

On informal ballot for clerk of supreme court Edwin Clark received 35 votes, Geo. F. Potter, 62, A. McElrath, 28. Mr. Potter was then declared the nominee by acclamation.

The following gentlemen were selected as a state central committee:

W. L. Wilson, George C. Mott, Dr. J. H. Stewart, St. Paul; Charles McClure, Red Wing; W. W. Prindle, Wabashaw; D. Sinclair, Winona; H. Fletcher, Minneapolis; William Morin, Albert Lea; J. F. Williams, Mankato.

Col. Miller then made his appearance, and was greeted with deafening cheers. He briefly accepted the nomination, and pledged himself, if elected, to faithfully discharge the duties of the office.

Geo. A. Nourse, of St. Paul, and Senator Wilkinson made excellent and appropriate speeches, which were loudly applauded.

The thanks of the delegates were then returned to the officers, and the convention adjourned *sine die*.

Thus ended one of the most harmonious conventions it has ever been our fortune to witness. May its unanimity prove a token of the zeal with which shouldor will be placed to shoulder in the coming canvass.

Truth vs. Copperheadism.

Mr. Hewlett, a well-known and successful temperance lecturer, visited town last week, delivering two lectures on Monday and Tuesday evenings respectively; subject Rum and Rebellion. Of course he spared not the copperheads, which naturally enough raised the ire of a few who had found their way to hear him. On Tuesday night he illustrated his points by quotations from various notorious characters, among which was Dr. Nat. Batchelder, of New Hampshire, one of the most bitter and outspoken of them all, and who was confined in prison for his treasonable sentiments. At this stage Mr. Hewlett was interrupted by a prominent man, and an office-holder, who pronounced him then and there, before a respectable audience, one-half of whom were ladies, a liar. In justice to Mr. Hewlett we print the following extract from Batchelder's speech before the state democratic convention, which he quoted and, as we are informed by reliable parties who were present, gave it correctly:

"*I am a rebel.* I was locked up forty days in a jail I never saw the inside of before, because I am in favor of a free government for white people, and not for niggers. *Slavery is right.* It cannot be proved that slavery is a sin. Any physician can disprove that position. The forearms of negroes are four inches longer than those of a white man's. They never sprung from Adam. God never made an animal, except a skunk, that smell half so bad. *I am death on ministers.* They have been preaching the negro twenty-five years, but I haven't heard them for ten years, because I haven't been inside of a church for that period. They are always preaching the negro, and in my town they haven't converted any souls for a good many years. Niggers are their breakfast, dinner, supper, and lodging. Go home and vote the democratic ticket."

As to the indecent remarks of the *Democrat* in reply to Mr. Hewlett's attacks on Jeff Davis, Yancey, Tombs, Slidell, and others, we accept it as a matter of course. Every one is expected to defend his friends, and the action of said paper is not surprising when we consider who are its chief managers.

Wisconsin Union Nominations.

The republican union state convention met in Madison on the 19th inst. The following ticket was placed in nomination:

Governor,—J. T. Lewis.

Lieut. Governor,—Wyman Spooner.

Secretary of State,—Lucius Fairchild.

Treasurer,—S. C. Hastings.

Attorney General,—Winfield Smith.

Supt. of Pub. Instruction,—J. L. Pickard.

Bank Comptroller,—W. H. Ramsey.

State Prison Commissioner,—H. Cordier.

The resolutions adopted compliments Gov. Salamon for the able and dignified manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office, deplores partisan hostility in the North to the government, compliments the soldiers in the field and pledges them earnest support, encourages the Union men of the South, and asserts the obligations of the government to support and sustain them, and closes with the declaration that we cannot look with indifference upon the efforts of European despots to establish a foothold upon the soil of the North American continent.

The session lasted two days, and passed off quite harmoniously.

The Kentucky Election.

Returns, mostly official, from 99 of the 110 counties of Kentucky give Bramlette, union, for governor 66,270 and Wickliffe, dem., 17,615; Bramlette's majority, 48,655. The 11 counties yet to come in will bring it to somewhere near 55,000.

The State Fair.

Horace Greeley has written a letter declining to deliver the address before the Minnesota State Fair this fall, and Col. Stevens will attempt to secure the services of Hon. John Wentworth, of Chicago, on that occasion.

The State Election.

Our state election, by a recent change in the law, comes off on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, making it this year on the Third. New York, Massachusetts, and Wisconsin also hold theirs on the same day.

Lieut. Col. Nasmith, 25th Wisconsin, died on Sunday at Platteville, Wis., of fever contracted in the Mississippi campaign. He was formerly a captain in the 7th Wisconsin.

We have neither a doctor or a lawyer in this town.—*Monticello Statesman.*

What a horrible place to be in. Just think of it; a man could neither die or go to law. "Good Lord deliver us."

Col. R. C. Murphy, who was dismissed from the service by Grant, for reasons with which the public are familiar, has sued Brick Pomeroy for libel, laying his damages at the sum of ten thousand dollars. The alleged libel consists in the published statement of Pomeroy, that he (Murphy) was in the opinion of the public a coward and a traitor.

JUST OF AGE.—On the 29th day of September next it will be just 21 years since the National Division of Sons of Temperance was instituted. And the day is to be held here in Beaver Dam, in the Pleasant Street Grove, near the depot.—*Beaver Dam Citizen.*

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Mail for St. Paul closes on the arrival of the boat from below in the afternoon.
Faribault mail leaves at 6 o'clock A. M., closes at 9 o'clock P. M.
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PUBLIC DOCUMENTS.—We are under obligations to Senator RAMSEY for a number of valuable documents, among which is Report of Committee on Conduct of the War, Parts 2 and 3.

NEWMAN'S new store on Second Street is nearly finished, and he intends removing his large stock of dry goods hither in a few days. We are glad to see his business so prosperous, for he certainly deserves it.

RAIN.—The heavy rains of the few days past will interfere materially with the plans of the farmers, causing much loss of time and perhaps damage to the crops. Much of the grain is still in the shock as yet.

THE CROPS.—Contrary to expectation, the crops this fall are very good, the yield being fair, and the grain of average quality. The farmers have no reason to complain of their success this year.

NOTICE.—The Dakota County Agricultural Society meets at FOLLETT & RENICK'S Bank on next Saturday, 29th inst., at 1 o'clock, P. M. A general attendance is desired, as upon that time arrangements will be made for holding the annual county fair.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION. — The democratic county convention met at Teutonia Hall on Saturday last to elect delegates to state convention to meet in St. Paul on the 26th inst., which they did as follows: L. SMITH, F. J. MEAD, E. EICHHORN, Hastings; GEO. C. CHAMBERLAIN, Sciota; J. MCCARTY, West St. Paul; P. B. THOMPSON, Mendota; STEPHEN NEWELL, Burnsville.

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EDUCATIONAL.

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All agree that the office of teacher is one of singular importance and sacredness. The best qualities of head and heart are demanded along with the most active and vital piety. There is no difference of opinion here; all intelligent men stand on the same platform. Yet it is most noticeable how frequently our schools are conducted by men and women of very meager moral attainments. Many a teacher regards it as perfectly wholesome and moral to be out till the "wee hours of morning" three or four nights in a week, either with or without the members of their school. Dancing, playing, and sleigh-riding till midnight is with some a common recreation, and gaming may sometimes be added. In too frequent cases the collateral evils of swearing, drinking, and evil associates go hand in hand with late hours. But we will not follow the subject further.

We protest, however, against all such teachers. Trivialty will be ingrafted into the mind instead of the alphabet, dancing, and carousing will be the subject of conversation instead of lessons, and lust will be the food of the soul instead of high toned moral qualities. In a word nonsense will prevail with high and low, young and old, instead of common sense.

"I am glad that I do n't have to go to school any more for two months," said a little boy a short time ago, as one of the many schools of our city closed its session. A more pungent criticism upon our present unnatural and ruinous school discipline was never made by an adult. It expresses volumes in a few words. We are foolhardy in our methods of instruction, especially for children. We believe that anybody can teach juveniles, when in fact the better talent is needed here than anywhere else in the whole round of the art of teaching. We persist in ignoring every intelligent law of mind, and drill and persecute our pupils instead of educating them. The beaten path of old fogyism is placed round and round, year after year, with a spirit filial enough to suit even the most vigorous of our ghostly projenitors. If we were candidates for the "sweepstakes" we could not stick closer to the ring.

When will the teaching business be disenthralled from ignorance and superstition, and base both its instructions and its discipline on natural and whole some principles? When will it adopt a plan that shall build up mind instead of one noted for nothing so much as its effect in restraining and killing mind. There is no need of keeping children in utter ignorance till they are ten years of age. They need not depend upon home education for all they know up to this age. They may go to school and learn rapidly, and be none the worse for it either in mind or body. We are sanguine in this, and have, we think, used proper deliberation in coming to a conclusion.

The State Teachers' Association meets to-morrow, Wednesday, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at the University. The opening address will be delivered by Rev. Mr. Reihaldaffer, of St. Paul, as president of the association. We hope that a full house will greet him. We know that our citizens appreciate such things. Let us come out and give the lecturer and the delegates generally a hearty welcome. The meeting is for the friends of education, as well as the teachers. All who love the common schools are cordially invited and urged to be present during the whole two days and evenings of the session. There will be lectures on the evening of each day of the session. We hear of many who are coming to the meeting. To these the citizens of Hastings must give a generous entertainment. If any who desire to entertain any of the members have not been visited by the committee of arrangements, let them hand their names to the committee at once.

Somebody must appreciate very highly the free school and various select and high schools that have been in session in Hastings during the summer. We received a short time ago a letter from a lady desiring to come west, in which we met the following sentence, "I have learned that there had been no school in session during the summer at Hastings." Possibly we have been dreaming, but it will take a good deal to convince us that the sweet memories of what we deem the summer term are not a reality. We think others will feel just like us.

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Notice is also given that appeals will be received and determined relative to any erroneous or excessive valuations or enumerations by the assistant assessor of said division at the office of Eli Robinson, in said city of Hastings, in said county of Dakota, on the 8th day of September, A.D. 1863, and immediately thereafter until all appeals are disposed of.

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$2 00 " " Six months.

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THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

Office Over the Bank of Hastings, Exchange Block, Second Street.

Yancey.

William L. Yancey is a man who will be known in our history as one of the most virulent but not one of the most able of the traitors who have conspired for the ruin of their country. He was born in South Carolina, but lived subsequently in Alabama, whither he removed after shooting his uncle. He was in Congress for several terms, and he put himself forward constantly as a leader, but he never was able to rise above the level of the typical pro-slavery politician, denouncing the "Yankees" as the source of all evils, and extolling "the South" as the parent of all excellences.

Mr. Yancey himself furnished an illustration of the absurdity of his own dogmas. Every society is truly prosperous because secure in the degree that it allows the most liberal discussion. In any truly free community whatever can not be debated ought not to be endured, because such a community is governed by public opinion, and without discussion public opinion is unenlightened. During the last presidential canvass Mr. Yancey made a tour of the free states for the purpose of persuading the people that they had better not vote against the slaveholders upon pain of summary ruin. In states made prosperous and happy by a greater individual freedom than was ever known Mr. Yancey stood before the people to cajole and threaten them from the exercise of political rights. He was heard and endured, and sometimes applauded. But the fact that he was heard and was tolerated in free states while he advocated slavery, showed the infinitely higher political civilization of those states than that which Mr. Yancey advocated, and to which he was accustomed. To plead for liberty in those states would have cost the orator his life.

The baseness of his position was that, at the very moment he was speaking in what he called the interest of the union, he was already a secret conspirator against it. Trained by slavery, political honor was unknown to him. He had already, two years before, written the letter in which he declared the plan by which he thought the cotton states could be "precipitated into revolution."

But although the "revolution" is in its third year, Mr. Yancey had achieved no more renown in it than he did before it began. He went to Europe as an emissary to make the thing look respectable, but soon returned disheartened. Since then he has been ex officio, as a "Senator," one of the ringleaders of the rebellion. But his name was never heard. His influence has nowhere appeared. Like Toombs, Wigfall, Rhett, Spratt, Keitt, and Orr, his sole distinction is that he hated his country, because his country loved liberty.—*Harper's Weekly.*

How Exorbitant Sutlers are Treated at Port Royal.—A correspondent of the Baltimore *American* says: "Complaint was made to the commandant of the post that six of the Sutlers were charging $250 per can for concentrated milk, and sixty cents per bottle for some light drinks. An order was immediately issued for the arrest of the parties, compelling them to refund the overcharge, confiscating their goods, and sending them to Morris Island to work twelve hours in the trenches under the guns of the enemy. Fortunately for them the enemy did not throw any shells that night, but to faithful did the guards keep them to work that they made the necessary excavations, and mounted a 200 pound Parrott before morning."

Telegraphic Project.—According to the following statement in a St. John paper, this country is to be brought telegraphically, three days nearer Europe: "A project is maturing, called the Cape Race Electric Telegraph and Light Company. Its object is to build and station ship near Cape Race to intercept the American mail steamers. The light ship is to 500 tons burthen, and fitted with 100 horse power engines. When this ship is stationed, there will be less danger of making Cape Race, and will give three days' later news from America. It is intended to lay down a submarine electric cable from the ship to land."

A London man has been walking in the water. He put an air-tight vessel on his breast and another on his back—but worn under his clothes. He had also a sort of small paddle on each heel fixed so that when his foot moved forward the paddle moved sideways, and when the paddle was subjected to a laternal pressure it offered a flat surface to the water. The arrangement enabled him to walk with ease. The propellers or paddles were invented by a Mr. Stewart—and the whole affair may be worth the attention of some enterprising person on this side the Atlantic.

Its kitchen cost one hundred and twenty thousand dollars a month; the Sultan's thirty-six wives have three hundred thousand dollars a month for pin-money; there are one thousand seven hundred and eighty other ladies connected with the harem—they cost ninety thousand dollars a month; the eunuchs cost thirty thousand dollars a month; there are two thousand porters, attendants and servants of various kinds, who cost seventy-five thousand a month; and the pension allowed to those young who had quitted the harem amount to four hundred thousand dollars a month.

If a man was murdered by his hired men, should the coroner render a verdict of killed by his own hands?

My Wife's Cousin.

A STORY WITH A MORAL.

Some time ago I called upon a cousin of my wife, who resided in the city of Philadelphia. I had not seen him for a long time, but having understood he was in affluent circumstances, I was but little prepared for the condition in which I found him. Through information derived from a Philadelphia directory, I went to one of those alleys with which that city abounds, and found his name on a signboard, associated with that of another man, over a dark and dingy shop. The sign purported that they were locksmiths and bell hangers; also that locks were repaired and keys fitted. Without ceremony I walked into the gloomy recess, where there was a blacksmith's forge, and where, among several masculine looking men up to their armpits in work, was "my wife's cousin." He received me most cordially, and for a moment intermitted filing a huge brass key on which he was engaged, and the shake of my own dexter by one of his broad brawny hands I can liken to nothing nearer than the shock of a young earthquake.

"Take a seat, take a seat," he observed, "and just as soon as I finish this key, we will make tracks for home."

As soon as it was completed he washed the worst of the dirt from his hands, hung up his work apron, and putting on his hat and coat, said in a cheerful tone, "Come now, cousin Aleck, let's go and see whether wife has got any tea for us."

After we were in the street our conversation insensibly ran on business, and I took occasion to say to him that I had been of the opinion that he had retired from his trade on a handsome competency.

"Don't say a word about retirement," he replied; "it nearly makes me sick to think about it. People talk of retiring from business while they are healthy and able to work; why, I tell you, Aleck, they don't know what it means. I didn't know what it meant until I tried it, but now retirement and misery sound to my ears like words of the same meaning.

You see, Aleck, it is about three years ago that having, as you would say, a competency, I made up my mind to stop work and move into the country. So I sold out my share of the business to my partner, spent a year or more looking at two or three score of country places, and at last found one that my wife and myself were considerably pleased with.

For two or three months matters and things went on very well, because I had something to attend to in making a few little improvements about the house, and in furnishing a number of the doors with locks of my own invention; but as the entire premises were in excellent repair when I bought them, I soon came to a point where was nothing to look after but the cultivation of the garden—I was not long, though, in making the discovery that I had no genius or taste either for digging round roots or pulling up weeds; and so, as wife didn't wish the garden to run waste, I employed a regular English gardener to carry the thing regularly through.

Well I don't mind the expense he put me to, but somehow I felt out of my gearing in not having the right kind of employment. Wife did her best to coax me into gentlemanly ways; had the old mechanical grime all thoroughly scrubbed out of my hands—finger-nails cleaned out and rounded—so as to made it appear that I had never done any manuel labor.

Now we must get behind a couple of Morgan ponies which I had purchased, and make fashionable calls in the day time on those who had called on us; and wife wanted me to soften down my voice, and to be particular about my grammar and the subjects I talked on; but sometimes forgetting myself I would revel in the proud memory of the locks and keys I had handled in happier days, and commenced a history of my exploits in that line, when my wife would look as though she was going to sink through the floor. In fact she wished to keep a perpetual lock on my lips, so far as our antecedents were concerned, with the key in her pocket. But I sighed for the shop, and time hung so heavily on my hands, that an hour spent in stupid listlessness about the house seemed longer to me than a day did, when I had orders ahead for locks, and was driving hard to get them done at a given time.

My youngest brother, who is a college bred man and a lawyer, sent me at my request a fine collection of books on all imaginable subjects, so that my library outshone that of the parson, or indeed any other man in the vicinity; but I found I had no more taste to sit down and read than I had for trimming currant bushes. The time was, after I had finished a hard day's labor at the shop, when an hour at books was a real solace, and I also believed an occasion of improvement. Then I envied those whose leisure allowed them to feast on books perpetually; but the mistake I made was in failing to discriminate between the mental habits and requirements of the professed student and those of the working man.

In this wretched manner did time at my country seat drag heavily along. Visiting was a perfect bore, for not feeling the slightest interest in such masculine topics as corn, grubs, and manure, and caring less for the feminine ones of dress and local gossip, I didn't know what to look about. Books set me to sleep, and not having the society of my two boys, who were away to school, I became fully satisfied that 'nothing to do' was equal to having everything to suffer.

My most delightful place of resort was a blacksmith's shop, some two miles from the house, where occasionally I would handle the hammer and clang a little on the anvil, but wife making the discovery one day that my hands were getting grimy again I was obliged to own up the cause of it, and this, to my sorrow, was succeeded by a positive prohibition on her part from my taking any further exercise at the forge. After this, when I would ride past the shop behind my prancing Morgan horses, the tears would start in my eyes at my being debarred from the only employment which was in the least adapted to my taste or capacity.

But, cousin Aleck, to shorten my story, wife perceiving that my unhappiness was increasing at last consented to move back to town, and let me resume my business. I had no difficulty in renewing an arrangement with my old partner; hence here you see me hard at work and happier than the President. I am perfectly able, in a pecuniary point of view, to live without work, but I have learned to my satisfaction two important truths; First, that we never enjoy ourselves so well as when we are usefully employed; and second, that there is no occupation, on the whole, for which we are so well fitted as that to which we have been long accustomed, and which has hence become to us, as it were, a second nature."

I was much pleased with the good sense of "my wife's cousin," as evinced in the small section of his autobiography which he had given me, and very soon after he had finished it we reached his dwelling. If his shop was dingy, there was no disguise here. Everything was in perfect order, and although the locksmith's wife was somewhat uppish in her notions, I soon perceived that she was a capital housekeeper, and that my friend was proud of his two sons who had come home from boarding school to spend the vacation.

I found that these lads were quite intelligent, and that they were both intended for the learned professions. While one of them entertained me with some music on a parlor organ, the worthy smith begged me to excuse him for a few moments, after which he reappeared in perfectly clean linen and a suit of dainty black. We supped at a table spread with the utmost profusion, and in the evening some company coming in, conversation and music filled up the passing hour. I was deeply interested, and concluded that "my wife's cousin," the bell-hanger, and locksmith, was a wise man, and that unwittingly he had discovered the true philosopher's stone. Daily work was as necessary to him as his daily bred, and the toil of the shop only served to enhance the leisure and recreation of a refined and happy home. On taking leave I realized that I had been taught a valuable lesson: Employment is the healthful lot of life, and he who would seek happiness in a state of perpetual repose betrays a profound ignorance of the beneficial laws which govern his being.

Appearance of Gen. Lee.—The *personale* of the rebel leader is thus described by one of our scouts:

Gen. Lee is a fine looking man. His nose is large and massive, like his features, which are rugged and careworn now. He is much bronzed and his hair and whiskers are tinged with gray. He wears a long flowing beard, now covering most of his face, which gives him quite a venerable appearance. He dresses in fine gray uniform, trimmed with black braid, mounts a splendid iron-gray horse, with good equipments, pistols, and a heavy rapier. As far as I observed, he bears no badge of distinction about his person except the stars on his coat collar, three in number, a large one in the center and a small one each side. He talks with every one, and is often closeted for hours with his scouts and spies. He wears a capacious slouch hat, buttoned up on the left side, trimmed with handsome black feathers and bullion ornaments. He would hardly be recognized by our officers in his present "disguise."

Vital Robbery.—Ever since the time when Abishag, the Shunammite, was brought to King David to "cherish him" and lie in his bosom, "so that he might get heat," it has been well known that living with the young and healthy, and especially sleeping with them, has a restorative effect upon the old and feeble. Reinhart calls living with the young the restoration of the old, and Bartholin says the same, that it is a preventative to the chilliness of old age, and by the breath restores much of the expired physical powers. Rudolph, of Bapsburg, is said, according to Serar's account, when very old and decrepit, to have been accustomed to kiss, in the presence of their relations, the daughters and wives of princely, ducal, and noble personages, and to have derived strength and renovation from their breath. The Emperor Frederick Barbarossa, near the end of his life, was advised, by a Jewish physician, to have young and healthy boys laid across his stomach, instead of using fermentations. The story of Lucius Claudius Hermippus, who reached a great age by being continually breathed upon by young girls—detestable old man!—has often been quoted.

A few days since, at Springfield, while one of the Med. Fac's was engaged in feeding a favorite porker, his diary containing some valuable memoranda, $100 in greenbacks and quite a quantity of important papers, fell out of his pocket and tumbled into the stye. Piggy, deeming the document a safe investment, immediately devoured it much to the consternation of his agitated owner, who would willingly have sacrificed the data could we have saved the greenbacks. The proceeding was a verry hoggish one, to say the least, and we only wonder that the greedy quadruped escaped with a whole throat.—*Springfield Republican.*

The fund for the relief of the colored people so badly maltreated in New York City foot up at the latest dates $38,696.

AGRICULTURAL.

What to do With Money.

Not a few of our readers have during the past year or two accumulated more than is apparently wanted in their business. To many it is a somewhat perplexing inquiry how to bestow their goods. They desire their surplus capital shall be safe, and that it shall yield a fair return for the investment. We have counselled, and still advise, that the government securities now in the market are among the very best stocks. Their value enhances with every victory, and we rejoice that these are multiplying weekly. But there is danger that many will overlook investments nearer home that would be equally safe, and in the end more remunerative. It has been proved over and over again, that capital judiciously used in farming can be made to pay a percentage with which reasonable men will be abundantly satisfied. Indeed the want of sufficient means to properly improve the farm and bring it up to its best producing capacity, is the great hindrance to the advancement of thousands. They are barely able to make ends meet when interest day comes round, and are unable to drain, to subsoil, to manure, to build and fence, and thus from year to year the farm is at a stand still, if it be not running down. To such we repeat the advice repeatedly given in these columns, sell part of the farm and improve the remainder, and there will be more satisfaction in working, because of less embarrassment, and in the end, greater profit. To those whose farms are already paid for, and who are so fortunate as to be inquiring what to do with thir surplus capital, we say, spend it on the farm, if it be not already at the highest point of productiveness. Fifty dollars per acre spent in draining will often give an increased fertility to the soil equivalent to ten, or even twenty per cent on the amount expended. So of buildings for shelter, planting of orchards, and purchase of manure. Each for himself will be enabled to judge what is lacking to make his a first class farm.

Many capitalist have shown their foresight by seeking investments among the agricultural community, advancing funds to young men just starting in the world, for the purchase of farms, or to those desiring to improve the land already owned. Others have wisely purchased homes in the country, and deeded them to their wives, that something substantial may remain in case of reverses which ofted prostrate the most successful business men. Hundreds of these will in after years discover that this was wise, not only because it saved something from the wreck of their fortunes, but from finding in the peaceful occupations of intelligent husbandry a satisfaction never enjoyed in the whirl of the city, and more than this, a better atmosphere, moral as well as physical, for the education of their children. Many among our readers are of the mercantile and manufacturing classes, and they may well give this subject their careful thought. In the end, some of them will, without doubt, thank the *Agriculturist* for having made these timely, practical suggestions.

To Sweeten Butter Firkins.—Before packing butter in new firkins, put them out of doors in the vicinity of the well, fill them with water, and throw in a few handsful of salt. Let them stand three or four days, and change the water once during that time. Butter firkins should be made of white oak, and this process effecually takes out the acid contained in that wood, and makes the firkins sweet. If the butter is well made and rightly packed, it will keep good all summer, even if the firkin be kept in store above ground. To cleanse old firkins in which butter has been packed and left exposed some time to the air, fill with sour milk, and leave standing twenty-four hours; then wash clean, and scald with brine. This makes them as good as new.

Oats.—This grain is more liable to serious loss, in harvesting, than wheat, and too many of our farmers commit the error of letting the crop become too ripe. Besides the loss of grain sustained in the process of harvesting, the quality of the straw for feeding to stock, whether cut up with the grain, or after it has been threshed, is greatly impaired.

It is true, that oats when cut before full ripe, require more care in cutting, as well as more time than wheat. Oat straw makes excellent feed for stock and it is worthy the attention of every farmer to see that its cured, not only in the best time, but in the best manner.—*Country Gentleman.*

The value of street dirt for manure is not properly appreciated by our farmers. It contains all the elements of fertillization; mixes readily with the soil and yields its constituents quickly as food for plants.

Over one hundred and thirty five thousand loads have been removed from the streets of New York during the last month, and the amount weekly is over forty thousand loads.

Cure for Scratches.—"Non Equus" contributes to the *Agriculturist* the following remedy for scratches in horses, which he says is infallible: Mix one ounce of verdigris (sub-acetate of copper) with a gill of unsalted lard, and daily anoint the affected parts with a teaspoonful of the ointment. The feet and legs of the animal should be washed in warm soap-suds, and wiped dry, before applying this preparation.

Farmers every where complain of trouble in getting harvest hands, and the poorest ones want from $1 50 to $2 a day. In many places the women are volunteering for this work. They are determined that the crops shall not waste while they had hands.—*N. Y. Tribune.*

BUSINESS CARDS.

Bankers.

THE BANK OF HASTINGS.

FOLLETT & RENICK, Bankers. Dealers in domestic and Exchange, Foreign, State, and County Scrip, Exchange Block, Second street, Hastings, Minn.

THORNE'S BANK.

Transacts a general Banking Business, deals in Eastern and Sterling Exchange, Bank Notes, Gold, Silver, etc.
Special attention given to collections.
Hastings, Jan. 1, 1863. J. L. Thorne, Banker. 43-tf

Attorneys.

ELI ROBINSON,
Attorney and Counselor at Law, Hastings, Minnesota. 13-tf

C. W. NASH. T. R. HUDDLESTON.
NASH & HUDDLESTON,
Attorneys and Counselors at Law. Corner of Sibley and Second streets, Hastings, Minn.

H. S. JENNINGS,
Attorney-at-Law. Office over A. M. Pett's drug store, Hastings, Minn.
June 30, 1863. 12-tf

A. M. HAYES. O. T. HAYES.
A. M. & O. T. HAYES,
Attorneys at Law, Vermillion street, near Second, Hastings, Minn.

S. SMITH. R. W. MONTGOMERY.
SMITH & MONTGOMERY,
Attorneys at Law, Hastings, Minn. Office on First Street, in Gardner's new Stone Block. 41-tf

P. HARTSHORN,
Attorney and Counselor at Law, Justice of the Peace, and Conveyancer. Office, on Ramsey street, over the Post Office, Hastings. 32

JNO. E. CLAGETT. F. M. CROSBY
CLAGETT & CROSBY,
Attorneys and Counselors at Law, Hastings, Minnesota. Particular attention given to obtaining half-pay pensions for widows and minor children of deceased soldiers, invalid pensions by reason of disability incurred in the military service of the United States, and bounties and arrears of pay due relatives of deceased soldiers.
Hastings, Dec. 1, 1862. 34-tf

Physicians.

OTTO STANNIS,
Homeopathic Physician and Surgeon. Office on Second street, opposite Thorn, Norrish & Co's. Hastings.

H. O. MOWERS,
Surgeon Dentist, Hastings. Office—North side Second street, between Ramsey and Sibley, over Thorne & Norrish's store.

DR. J. E. FINCH,
Physician and Surgeon, Hastings, Minn. Office corner of Second and Sibley Streets, rear of Nash & Huddleston's law office.
Hastings, June 30, 1863. 12-tf

C. C. RIGHTER. Z. B. NICHOLS.
RIGHTER & NICHOLS,
Homeopathic Physicians, Hastings, Minn. Will attend promptly to all professional calls. Office over City Drug Store. 40-tf

Printing.

IRVING TODD,
Book and Job Printer, Second Street, Hastings, Minn. All kinds of plain and ornamental printing neatly and cheaply executed. The latest styles of type, cuts, and border on hand, and shall always keep up with the times. Particular attention given to orders from the country. Office over Bank of Hastings, Exchange Block.

Miscellaneous.

CHARLES B. LOWELL,
General Land Agent, Civil Engineer, and Deputy Co Surveyor of Dakota County.

P. B. COOK & CO.,
Auction and Commission Merchants, Hastings, Minn. Cash advanced on consignments. 16-tf

MRS. MARY TORRANCE,
Private Boarding House, has removed from Second Street to the stand formerly known as the City Hotel, Ramsey street, Hastings.

GEORGE KENNEDY,
Fashionable Barber and Hair Dresser, will attend promptly to all calls in his line. Ladies' hair cut and curled to order. Shop on Second Street, opposite Thorne & Norrish's.
Hastings, May 14th, 1863. 6-tf

WM. SMITH,
Carriage and Wagon Maker, corner Vermillion and Fourth streets, Hastings. I am prepared to do all kinds of Wagon and Carriage work in the best possible manner, and at short notice.

C. HALDEN
Painters and Paper Hangers, Shop, corner of Vermillion and Fifth streets, Hastings, Min. Carriage Painting done with neatness and dispatch.

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Butcher and Dealer in all kinds of Meat. He would inform his old customers and all others, that he continues to keep the best and freshest meat, of all sorts, at his old stand, one door below Edison Blk. His customers will be sure to find everything all right. 22

GROFF & BAILEY,
Real Estate Agents, No. 134 Third Street, (under Thompson's Bank.) St. Paul, Minn. City and county property bought and sold. Collections made and taxes paid for non residents. Also will attend to collection of rents, renting houses and business property. 17-1y

JULIUS HOURIET
Offers the largest stock of Watches, Clocks, and Jewelry in town, which he will sell at lower prices than any other house. Repairing done of all kinds, and warranted for one year. Call in before purchasing elsewhere. Shop on Ramsey Street, between 2d and 3d.
Hastings, May 14, 1863. 5-1y

J. B. VANDERWERKER,
Manufacturer of Harness and Saddlery Goods. Keeps constantly on hand Coarse and Fine Harness, Saddles, Bridles, Whips, Fly Nets, Horse Collars of extra quality. Particular attention paid to Repairing, on short notice. Carriages Trimmed in the latest style and finish. I would say to my customers that I am thankful for past favors, and hope for a continuance of their patronage. I will give them a better article and cheaper than they can buy in Minnesota.

MRS. MARY E. TAPLEY
Has just opened on Ramsey Street, at the stand lately occupied by Mrs. Bixby, a very choice and well selected stock of millinery goods, to which she invites the attention of the ladies of this city and its vicinity. Having secured the services of a competent and fashionable milliner, and provided herself with the latest patterns, she is prepared to serve the ladies in millinery and dress making in the most approved and latest styles. Mrs. T. will keep her stock well replenished with such articles as may be called for in the market, and by employing none but the very best help, and a faithful attention to her business, she hopes to merit and receive the patronage of the public. 4-tf

AUCTION NOTICE.—WE WILL SELL at auction, at the lowest rates of commission, Real Estate, Bonds, Mortgages, Horses, Wagons, Buggies, Cattle, Merchandise, and Property of every description, and we will make cash advances on all kinds of property, and we keep on hand Notions, Watches, and Jewelry to sell the trade and pedlars. Business from the country promptly attended to. Auction sales every evening. Special sales at 10 A. M. H. E. Baker & Co., Auctioneers,
On Third Street, second door from the Merchants' Hotel, St. Paul. Minn. 45-1y

BLACKSMITH AND WAGON SHOP.

I HAVE just opened a new Blacksmith and Wagon Shop on the corner of Vermillion and Fifth streets, where I am prepared to execute all kinds of work in my line, promptly, well, and as cheap as any body else. All who want a first rate wagon, or repairing, or blacksmithing of any sort, give me a call and judge for yourselves. JOHN STREET,
Hastings, June 17, 1862. 1y

GROCERIES, ETC.

GROCERIES, VEGETABLES,
BUTTER,
EGGS,
CHEESE,
STONE AND
WOODEN WARE,
FRUIT, AND
CONFECTIONERY
CIGARS AND TOBACCO,

Can be found as cheap and of as good quality at the

Fruit and Variety Store,

opposite post-office, as at any other place in the city.
J. B. Tinklepaugh & Co.
Hastings, May 14, 1863.

DRY GOODS & GROCERIES.

NEW CHEAP STORE.
MARK WILLSON
Has opened a new stock of
DRY GOODS,
GROCERIES, READY-MADE
CLOTHING, ETC., ETC.,
One door east of Pringle's Hardware Store, Hastings. All of which will be disposed of at the lowest prices, for *ready pay only.* Cash customers will find the new store the place to get the greatest amount of goods for the least money. Those wishing good articles at low prices will please call at Willson's New Cash Store. 12-o-m

NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS!

EYRE & HOLMES,
Dealers in
DRY GOODS,
Groceries and
Provisions,
Wooden and Willow Ware,
BOOTS & SHOES,
Tobacco and Cigars.

Call in and see one of the best stocks of goods ever brought to this market. Store corner of Second and Ramsey Streets.
Dundas Flour, a choice article, for sale.
Eyre & Holmes.
Hastings, April 20, 1863. 2-tf

THE NEW STORE.

DRAPER & BALLARD,
HASTINGS, MINN.,
Have opened in Exchange Block a large well selected assortment of
GENERAL MERCHANDISE,
and solicit an examination of their goods and low prices.
We have in store
GROCERIES,
PROVISIONS,
SALT,
NAILS, GLASS,
READY MADE CLOTHING,
HATS AND CAPS,
BOOTS AND SHOES,
FARMING TOOLS, &c,
Our stock is large and complete, and will be sold at
WHOLESALE & RETAIL.
We have made arrangements with Messrs. Harrison to keep on hand a large supply of their excellent Flour
The celebrated Moline Plow for sale.
Draper & Ballard.
May 1, 1863. 3-tf

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THORNE, NORRISH, & CO.,
Wholesale and Retail
DEALERS,
Again solicit public attention to their unusual large stock of new
FANCY DRESS GOODS,
STAPLE DRY GOODS,
HATS AND CAPS,
BOOTS AND SHOES,
GROCERIES, ETC.,
CROCKERY,
all of which we have bought during the late panic in New York very low, and shall sell the same
CHEAP FOR CASH.
Thanking the public for their past liberal patronage, would respectfully request a continuance of the same.
Thorne, Norrish, & Co.
May 7th, 1863. 4-tf

PUBLICATIONS.

THE NEW YORK TRIBUNE.

1863.

The New York *Tribune*, first issued in 1841, now in its twenty-second year, has obtained both a larger and a more widely diffused circulation than any other newspaper ever published in America. Though it has suffered, in common with other journals, from the volunteering and departure of tens of thousands of its patrons to serve in the war for the union, its circulation on the 6th of December, 1862, is as follows:

Daily	50,125
Semi-Weekly	17,250
Weekly	148,000
Aggregate	215,375

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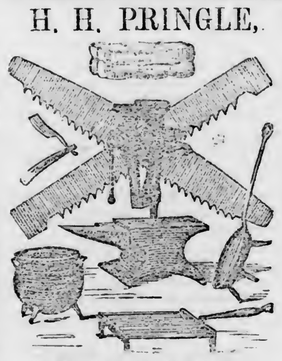

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The Union Ticket.

The state convention which met in this city yesterday in point of fullness of representation, the high character of its members, in the general harmony and good feeling which marked its councils, and in the generous subordination of personal ambition or party spirit to the one great object of national endeavor, was in every respect worthy of the patriotic constituencies it represented, and of the noble cause it was assembled to promote.

The delegates have vindicated the trust reposed in their patriotism and good sense by the selection of a ticket and the adoption of a platform which will meet the universal approval of all union men throughout the state.

By the nomination of Col. Miller, for governor, by acclamation, the convention gave a practical expression, in its most fitting and most emphatic form, of the gratitude of the loyal people of the state to the heroic soldiers, of whome the gallant Colonel is so worthy and noble a representative. The spontaneous outburst of enthusiasm with which the nomination was greeted by the convention and the spectators will be echoed by the universal applause of the loyal people of Minnesota and they will rally with a new enthusiasm around a leader whose patriotism has been tried in the furnace of battle, and who now bears in the fore front of the fight against the traitors of the North that glorious banner which he has borne so often through the fiery tempest of battle against the armed legions of the Southern Rebellion.

But the nomination to the chief magistracy of the state was due to Col. Miller not only as a fitting representative of the patriotic devotion, the courage, and the sacrifice of the defenders of our country on the battlefield, but to his personal worth, his excellent ability, and to the high esteem in which he is held by the people of Minnesota as an upright, honorable, and able man. He possesses in so high a degree the qualities which make an efficient and successful public man, that he would undoubtedly have been brought prominently forward for the position, if the general desire to testify the popular gratitude to our soldiers had not given the general feelings in his favor the force of a unanimous and irresistible popular demand.

We are glad he has accepted the nomination. In no other position could he serve the cause of the Union more effectually. We want at the head of our state administration, so many of whose duties are of a military character, a man who, from a personal experience of the soldier's life, can fully understand and sympathise with his peculiar needs.

The nominee for Lieutenant Governor, Hon. C. D. Sherwood, will also be generally acceptable to the people.

Geographically speaking, he represents the extreme south-eastern, as Col. Miller represents the extreme north-western group of countries. His Legislative experience, ability, and popular qualities secured him last winter the unanimous nomination of the union members of the House of Representatives for Speaker, a sufficient proof of his fitness for the corresponding position in the Senate, which is the chief function of Lieutenant Governor.

The re-nomination of the present Secretary of State, Treasurer, Auditor, and Attorney General to the same positions, was a deserved testimony to the ability and efficiency with which they respectively discharged their duties.

The convention but expressed the universal verdict of the people when, in their name, it thus said to them, to some of them for the third time. "Well done good and faithful servants."

The want of space obliges us to postpone the many good things which the occasion and our own feelings prompt us to say about these gentlemen.

The nominee for Clerk of the Supreme Court, Geo. F. Potter, is well known as an influential citizen of Houston County, where he is "death on copperheads." By his connection for several years with our legislatures is various capacities he has also become widely known to our public men throughout the state. He is universally admitted to be a good fellow, and as he is a lawyer of good standing, there can be no doubt that he is well qualified for the place to which he is nominated.

We have only room in conclusion to call for "Three Cheers for the Union Ticket."—*Press*.

Col. Stephen Miller.

We are gratified at the indications which come from all parts of the state, furnishing assurance that the brave patriot whose name heads this article, is regarded as the proper person to receive the nomination of the republican union party for governor of Minnesota. He has proven himself devoted heart and soul to the interest and welfare of his country, not by words merely, but by his actions, as evidenced on many a hard fought battle field.

It may be said that many other Minnesotians have shown equal bravery on the battle-field, and yet this alone does not entitle them to the distinction urged for Col. Miller. Very true, this is only one count in his favor, but he has displayed other qualities, during his long residence in Minnesota, which satisfy the people that he possesses the requisites of an enlightened statesman, and this, together with the bravery, skill, and marked ability he has displayed in a military capacity, mark him as a man eminently fitted to occupy the gubernatorial chair in this trying crisis of our young state.

We know of no one who could be more implicitly trusted to finish up the good work already begun of ridding the state of Indians, or none who could be more implicitly trusted to co-operate with and assist the general government in its endeavors to crush the slaveholder's rebellion and maintain the union, than Col. Miller.

He is a man of finished education, prompt, energetic, and of irreproachable character; a fluent, logical, and eloquent speaker, always in the foremost ranks battling for republican principles, and against oppression in all its forms; a true, ardent friend of freedom, and bitter, relentless opponent of slavery, he has won the undying hatred of every copperhead in our state, by his manly, outspoken words in former campaigns for freedom and justice to the downtrodden bondman. The union men of Minnesota cannot do better than make him their standard bearer in the approaching contest.—*Anoka Republican*.

A NOBLE ACT.—No better proof of the high-toned spirit of patriotism which prevailed in the union convention yesterday, and of the general desire to submerge all personal or party differences in a cordial re-union of hearts and hands around the good old flag, need be given than was afforded in the magnanimous action of Hon. R. Ottman, of Wabashaw County, in declining the nomination which was tendered him by the convention. The act of self-denial, which Mr. Ottman thus imposed upon himself, was purely the result of a desire to harmonize conflicting interests and claims among the opposing candidates for the lieutenant governorship.

There are perhaps few who would have sacrificed so much for the general good of the ticket and of the party, and the friends of both candidates and the people at large can hardly fail to appreciate an act so generous in itself and so significant of the noble spirit and cordial good feeling which governed the convention.—*Press, 20th inst.*

Dialogue.

UNCLE SAM: SECESH: COPPERHEAD.

Secesh.—Stoop down here, Uncle!

Uncle Sam.—What for, Secesh?

Secesh.—I want to cut your throat!

U. S.—Guess not. It don't want cutting.

Copperhead.—Yes, stoop down, Uncle!

U. S. What, do you, too, want to cut my throat?

Copperhead.—O no—never! I wouldn't do such a thing for the world! I only want to hold your arms pinioned behind your back while Secesh cuts it. That's very different, you see!

U. S.—No, I don't see it.—*New York Tribune.*

A QUAKER ON AN ARGUMENT.—Ah, said a sceptical collegian to an old Quaker, "I suppose you are one of these fanatics who believe the Bible?" Said the old man, "I do believe the Bible. Do you believe it?" "No I can have no proof of its truth." "Then," inquired the old man, "does thee believe in France?" "Yes; for although I have not seen it, I have seen others who have. Besides, there is plenty of corroborative proof that such a country does exist." "Then thee will not believe anything thee or others has not seen?" "No," "Did thee ever see thy own brains?" "No." "Ever see a man who did see them?" "No." "Does thee believe thee has any?" This last question put an end to the discussion."

One of the editors of the Chicago *Tribune* has been to St. Joseph, Michigan, and gives as the result of his observation:

The yield of fruit this season will be the largest ever known in Michigan. In 1891, the peach crop yielded about 60,000 baskets; last year, owing to the severe frost in May, it reached only about 55,000 baskets; from the estimate given by the most extensive fruit growers, the peach crop this year will amount to from 300,000 to 500,000 baskets.

TOO HEAVY A LOAD.—The democratic party of Ohio begins to find "poor, unhappy Vallandigham" too much of a load to carry, and now seeks to throw him off. The Germans are deserting him, and the war democrats are flocking to the standard of Brough by thousands. A Toledo paper asserts that an effort is being made to induce Vallandigham to withdraw entirely from the canvass. The load is greater than they can carry.

A rural conscript appeared before an Eastern board of enrollment, a day or two since, and desired to be exempted forthwith that he might return to his country home. "What are your claims?" demanded the doctor. "I'm entirely dependent upon my mother for support," was the innocent reply.

PROLIFIC.—We noticed, a day or two ago, a branch of an apple tree grown—we believe—from the seed, near this place, one foot in length, on which were twelve fair-sized apples. Can Minnesota grow apples?—*Winona Republican.*

It is all nonsense to talk about the immense burden of the public debt. The debt is twelve hundred millions, and the interest on it twelve millions, or about two-thirds of the earnings of the New York Custom House.

There is such a thing as carrying a spite beyond this life. A woman is under arrest in Charlestown, Mass., for mutilating the grave of another woman, against whom, when living, she had a peculiar spite.

An acre of ground, recently purchased for Fordham College, near New York city, has been found to contain a marble quarry worth at least $50,000. New College buildings are to be erected of the material.

An inquiring clerk in the dead letter office is said to have found that out of six thousand eight hundred and fifty letters written by females, only three hundred and twenty-five were without postcripts. Some of the letters contained three.

MONETARY QUOTATIONS OF FOLLETT & RENICK.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

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New York.	Iowa,
New Jersey,	Michigan,
Ohio.	U. S Demand Notes.
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CORRECTED WEEKLY BY O. F. DATCHELDER.

HASTINGS, August 25, 1863.

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CORN, do	40a45
OATS, do	60
POTATOES, do	60
BEANS, do	1 50
ONIONS, do	50
CRANBERRIES,	2 00
HAY, per ton,	6 00a8 00
WOOD, per cord,	3 00a4 00
SALT, per bbl	3 50
EGGS, per doz	15
BUTTER, per lb,	10a15
CHEESE, per lb	8a12
PORK, per cwt.	3a4
BEEF, per cwt.	3 00
HAMS, per cwt,	8a9
SHOULDERS, per cwt,	5a6
DRIED APPLES,	9
DRIED PEACHES,	15a25
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Hastings, Nov. 20, 1862. 32–tf

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T. D. AYLESWORTH. Pine Bend, July 25, 1863. 16–tf

DISTRICT COURT, DAKOTA COUNty.—ss. (Revenue Stamp.)

Victoria Tripp *against* Amanzel D. Tripp. Summons for relief.

The state of Minnesota to Amanzel D. Tripp:

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, of which a copy is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscribers at their office in the city of Hastings, county of Dakota and state of Minnesota, within ninety days after service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid the plaintiff in this action will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated June 15, 1863.

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MORTGAGE SALE.—WHEREAS DEfault has been made in the condition of a certain mortgage deed executed by Harvey Gillett and Georgie R. Gillett, his wife, of the county of Dakota, in the state of Minnesota to Allen E. Rich and Isaac B. Tozer, then and now partners in business under the firm name of Rich & Tozer, made, acknowledged, and delivered by said mortgagors to said firm of Rich & Tozer, mortgagees, and bearing date the 8th day of May, A. D. 1862, which said mortgage contains the usual power of sale to said Rich & Tozer and their assigns, and was duly filed for record with said mortgage in the office of the register of deeds of said county, on the 9th day of said May at four o'clock in the afternoon of that day, and was thereupon duly recorded in said office in book K of mortgagees on pages 587, 588, and 589; which said mortgage was given to secure the payment of one hundred and twenty-three dollars and seventy-one cents with interest at ten per cent per annum according to the conditions of a certain promisory note made by said Harvey Gillett and bearing even date with said mortgage. And there is claimed to be due and is actually due and unpaid upon said note and mortgage at the date of this notice the sum of one hundred and thirty-four dollars and fifty cents. And no suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. The mortgaged premises are described as follows, viz: All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Dakota County, state of Minnesota, and described as follows, to wit: Lot number fourteen (14) in block number three (3) in H. G. Bailly's addition to Hastings, as per recorded plat thereof now on record in the office of register of deeds in said county.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained and pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of said mortgaged premises at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door of the office of said register of deeds in Hastings, in said county, on the 3d day of October, A. D. 1863, at one o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to satisfy said mortgage debt and the expenses of said sale.

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